

3. Other Ministers and officials may form part of the Committee as considered appropriate in accordance with the matters to be discussed.

4. The Committee may establish such subcommittees or working groups as may be necessary.

5. The Committee shall meet regularly every two years, alternatively in Venezuela and in Canada.

#### ARTICLE IV

The Committee shall have the following functions:

- (a) to act as a consultative mechanism;
- (b) to monitor and review the implementation of the Agreement and to propose to Governments activities, programs and measures to realize the objectives of the Agreement;
- (c) to evaluate these activities, programs and measures and to recommend solutions to any difficulties or obstacles that may have arisen in the development of cooperation and in the implementation of the Agreement;
- (d) to investigate additional possibilities for the intensification of bilateral relations and to recommend the implementation of new programs and projects; and
- (e) to stimulate initiatives between the private sectors of both countries in order to promote the expansion of bilateral cooperation.

#### ARTICLE V

1. With the objective of increasing cooperation, the Contracting Parties may conclude complementary agreements or other arrangements in order to implement specific programs or projects, on the recommendation of the Committee or on the initiative of either Contracting Party.

2. Complementary agreements and other arrangements shall make specific reference to the present Agreement.

#### ARTICLE VI

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which the Contracting Parties notify each other, by means of an exchange of notes, that they have completed the legal procedures necessary for this purpose.

2. This Agreement shall remain in force for five years and shall be extended automatically for equal successive periods. The Contracting Parties have the right to terminate it at any time by means of written notification in which case the Agreement shall cease to have effect six months after the date of notification.

3. Termination of this Agreement shall not affect projects underway or the validity of any complementary agreements or other arrangements.