

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE UNITED NATIONS CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND SUPPORT OF AN INFORMATION OFFICE FOR NORTH AMERICA OF THE UNITED NATIONS CENTRE FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS (HABITAT)

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS the United Nations Audio-Visual Information Centre on Human Settlements (Vision Habitat) has ensured the effective and world-wide distribution and use of audio-visual materials relating to human settlements, with the support of the Government of Canada, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 31/115 of 16 December 1976;

WHEREAS the General Assembly, by resolution 34/115 of 14 December 1979, expressed its wish that the programme developed by the United Nations Audio-Visual Information Centre on Human Settlements should be continued, after expiration of the Agreement of 27 September 1977 concerning the headquarters and operations of the said Centre, as an integrated component of a unified information service within the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat), the latter hereinafter referred to as "the Centre";

WHEREAS the Government of Canada is prepared to support the establishment of an Information Office for North America of the Centre (hereinafter referred to as "the Office") in Vancouver for a three-year period commencing 1 October 1980, for the purposes of: a) disseminating within this region information relating to human settlements on behalf of the Centre, b) monitoring North American developments in the field of human-settlements technology, research and training, and c) communicating this information as appropriate through the United Nations system;

NOW THEREFORE the United Nations and the Government of Canada, for the purpose of carrying out the aforementioned objectives, have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

Premises and Facilities of the Office

1. The Office shall be located on the campus of the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C., Canada (hereinafter referred to as "the University"), in adequate premises to be provided, free of charge to the United Nations, by the University during the period of validity of this Agreement.

2. The premises of the Office, and the terms of access to the necessary facilities, equipment and services of the University required for the Office's operations, shall be as set out in the Memorandum of Understanding of 15 December 1980 between the Office and the University.