AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL

ON MUTUAL ASSISTANCE

IN CUSTOMS MATTERS

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL, (hereafter referred to as the "Parties");

CONSIDERING that offences against the Customs laws are prejudicial to the security and public health of their respective countries, as well as their economic, fiscal and commercial interests;

CONSIDERING the importance of the accurate assessment of customs duties and other taxes collected on the importation and exportation of goods, the correct determination of the classification, value and origin of those goods, as well as the proper implementation of measures of prohibition, restriction and control by their Customs authorities;

CONSIDERING that illegal trafficking in weapons and explosives, as well as in chemical, biological and nuclear substances, narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances, endangered species, hazardous goods and other prohibited, regulated or controlled goods, constitutes a danger to public health and to society;

RECOGNIZING the need for international cooperation in matters related to the administration and enforcement of the Customs laws;

CONVINCED that action against Customs offences can be made more effective by cooperation between their Customs authorities;