
AGREEMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A REGIONAL ANIMAL PRODUCTION AND HEALTH COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC¹

At the Fifth Regional Conference on Animal Production and Health (Kuala Lumpur, September 1971), a draft agreement for the establishment of a regional animal production and health commission for Asia, the Far East and the South-West Pacific under Article XIV of the FAO Constitution was drawn up by interested Member Nations. The draft agreement was revised by the Eleventh Regional Conference for Asia and the Far East (New Delhi, October 1972) and approved by the FAO Council at its Sixtieth Session (June 1973) for submission to Member Nations for acceptance.

In accordance with paragraph 1, Article XXIII, the Agreement entered into force on **29 December 1975**, date of receipt of the fifth instrument of acceptance. The Agreement was registered with the Secretariat of the United Nations on 26 February 1976 under No. 14604.

At its Second Session (Kuala Lumpur, 1977), the Commission adopted amendments to the Agreement, which were approved by the FAO Council at its Seventy-fourth Session (December 1978). At its Fourth Session (September 1979), the Commission adopted further amendments to the Agreement which were approved by the FAO Council at its Seventy-sixth Session (November 1979). At its Ninetieth Session, on 28 November 1986, the FAO Council, by Resolution 3/90, approved amendments to the Agreement according to which the present title was adopted. The amendments entered into force for all the parties to the Agreement.

Parties to the Agreement

The following participants deposited their instruments on the corresponding date indicated:

Participant	Acceptance
Australia ²	7 Jun 1976
Bangladesh	29 Dec 1975
Bhutan	21 Feb 2000
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	13 Aug 2009
India	12 Jun 1975
Indonesia	12 Apr 1977
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	20 Jan 1978
Lao People's Democratic Republic	15 Sep 1995
Malaysia	14 May 1976
Mauritius ³	7 Nov 1979

¹ The present title was adopted as a result of amendments to the Agreement, which were approved on 28 November 1986 by Resolution 3/90 of the Ninetieth Session of the FAO Council.

² Extended to the territories of Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Christmas Island, Norfolk Island and the Coral Sea Islands.

³ On 4 December 1985, the Director-General received a notification of withdrawal from Mauritius. In accordance with Article XXI of the Agreement, the withdrawal became effective on 4 December 1986.

Participant	Acceptance
Mongolia	8 May 2007
Myanmar	3 Jan 1990
Nepal	29 Dec 1975
Pakistan	29 Oct 1976
Papua New Guinea	25 Jul 1980
Philippines	14 Jul 1975
Samoa	12 July 2007
Singapore ⁴	7 Jun 1976
Sri Lanka	4 Apr 1975
Thailand	16 Sep 1974

⁴ Pursuant to paragraph 2, Article III, of the Agreement, the Commission admitted Singapore (which is not a Member Nation of FAO, but is a Member of the United Nations) as a Member of the Commission. The effective date of admission was 7 June 1976.

On 8 March 1995, the Director-General received a notification of withdrawal from Singapore. In accordance with Article XXI of the Agreement, withdrawal became effective on 8 March 1996.