
AGREEMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A REGIONAL CENTRE ON AGRARIAN REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT FOR THE NEAR EAST

A Conference of Plenipotentiaries, which met in Rome, Italy, from 26 to 28 September 1983, adopted the aforementioned Agreement setting up, outside the framework of FAO, the Regional Centre on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development for the Near East (CARDNE).

In accordance with paragraph 2, Article XII, the Agreement was open for signature at FAO Headquarters in Rome as from 28 September 1983.

In accordance with paragraph 4, Article XII, the Agreement entered into force on 30 December 1987. The Agreement was registered with the Secretariat of the United Nations on 2 February 1988.

On 6 October 1993, the Governing Council of the Centre adopted amendments to Articles V and IX of the Agreement. Pursuant to Article XIII.1 of the Agreement, the amendments took effect with respect to all contracting parties on the sixtieth day after the adoption by the Governing Council, i.e. on 5 December 1993.

Signatories and Parties to the Agreement

The following are the signatories and the participants that deposited their instruments on the corresponding date indicated:

Participant	Signature	Ratification	Accession
Cyprus	1 Oct 1985		
Egypt	28 Sep 1983	20 Aug 1985	
Iraq	28 Sep 1983	1 Oct 1986	
Jordan	28 Sep 1983	23 Feb 1984	
Lebanon			6 Nov 1998
Mauritania			25 Jun 2002
Morocco			24 July 2006
Pakistan ¹			17 Jul 1987
Sudan			23 Dec 1998
Syria	28 Sep 1983	30 Dec 1987	
Tunisia			31 May 1985
Yemen ²	28 Sep 1983	9 Nov 1998	

notes

1. On 17 March 1997, the Director-General received a notification of withdrawal from Pakistan. In accordance with paragraph 1, Article XIV of the Agreement, the notification of withdrawal will become effective on 16 March 1998.

2. On 22 May 1990 the Yemen Republic and the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen merged into a single State known as "Republic of Yemen". In a communication of 19 May 1990 addressed to the United Nations Secretary-General, the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the Yemen Arab Republic and of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen stated: "all treaties and agreements concluded between either the Yemen Arab Republic or the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen and other States and international organizations in accordance with international law which are in force on 22 May 1990 will remain in effect and international relations existing on 22 May 1990 between the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen and the Yemen Arab Republic and other States will continue". As a result of this declaration, in the present document, in case of an Agreement to which both the Yemen Arab Republic and the People's

Democratic Republic of Yemen were parties, the date of acceptance or signature chosen is the one which either the Yemen Arab Republic or the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen accepted/signed first. Democratic Yemen signed on 28 September 1983 and the Yemen Arab Republic on 21 May 1986.

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