MEMORANDUM

about cooperation between the Ministry of Irrigation of Afghanistan and the Federal State Unitary Enterprise "All-Russian Foreign Economic Association "Selkhozpromexport" in the field of irrigation

As a result of exchange of opinions took place in Kabul on the matters connected with carrying out of Afghani-Russian cooperation in the field of exploitation of irrigation projects which have been constructed earlier with technical assistance of FGUP "VVO "Selkhozpromexport" and also in construction of new irrigation projects the Sides have agreed of the following:

1. FGUP "VVO "Selkhozpromexport" on commercial base shall render technical assistance to the Ministry in carrying out works on reconstruction of the irrigation systems based on lands near "Sarde" Reservoir with further reclamation of these lands, in continuation of water intake dam construction on Kokcha River, Main Canal and reconstruction of Archi and Naubad Canals by means of delivery of irrigation and construction equipment, agricultural machinery, spare parts. The Russian specialists will be deputed for carrying out of top primary reconstruction works and training of Afghani specialists.

1.1. FGUP "VVO "Selkhozpromexport" is ready to conclude on commercial base the contract with the Ministry for deputation to Afghanistan of the Russian specialists for inspection of technical condition of "Sarde" irrigation system, "Kokcha" project and preparation of recommendations on execution of top primary reconstruction works.

1.2. The order of preparation of the contracts for execution of reconstruction

works and their signing shall be agreed upon later.

2. FGUP "VVO "Selkhozpromexport" confirms its readiness to continue on commercial base rendering technical assistance to the irrigation organizations in their supply with equipment and mechanisms necessary for repair of irrigation systems, drilling of water wells and construction of shaft wells as well as deputing its

3. FGUP "VVO "Selkhozpromexport" is ready to return to the problem of the construction of the following irrigation projects located in the Northern part of Afghanistan:

- water intake dam and reservoir in Tchashma-Shafo area on Balkh River;

- dam and "Kelagai" HPS on Koundouz River.

4. In accordance with request of the Ministry FGUP "VVO "Selkhozpromexport" is ready to render technical assistance in reconstruction of its enterprise located in Kabul and intended for manufacture and repair of hydrotechnical equipment.

4.1. FGUP "VVO "Selkhozpromexport" shall depute on contractual base the Russian specialists to Kabul for inspection of technical condition of the a.m. enterprise and preparation of the suggestions on its reconstruction.

4.2. On the basis of the inspection FGUP "VVO "Selkhozpromexport" shall deliver equipment, spare parts, metal cutting and measuring instruments necessary for putting the enterprise into operation on the condition which shall be agreed upon

5. The Ministry of Irrigation of Afghanistan has considered the suggestion of FGUP "VVO "Selkhozpromexport" mentioned in the present Memorandum and confirms its readiness for mutual cooperation.

6. The Ministry of Irrigation of Afghanistan within 30 days shall prepare and send to FGUP "VVO "Selkhozpromexport" its suggestions on reconstruction of top

7. The Sides shall jointly considered the prepared suggestions on reconstruction of top primary irrigation projects of Afghanistan and take necessary decisions.

Signed in Moscow on " "_ _____2002 that corresponds to

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