AGREEMENT ON TECHNICAL COOPERATION

BETWEEN

THE STANDARDS INSTITUTION OF ISRAEL (SII) AND

THE KOREAN AGENCY FOR TECHNOLOGY AND STANDARDS (KATS) OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

The Standards Institution of Israel (SII) and the Korean Agency for Technology and Standards of the Republic of Korea (KATS) (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties"),

Aiming at elimination of technical barriers to trade and facilitating economical relations between the State of Israel and the Republic of Korea,

Considering their mutual interests in promoting scientific and technical cooperation in the field of standardization and conformity assessment, proceeding form the principles and norms adopted by the international standardization organizations,

Being guided by the economic interests of the State of Israel and the Republic of Korea,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Parties will promote scientific and technical cooperation in standardization and conformity assessment.

Article 2

The Parties will carry out scientific and technical cooperation in the areas referred to in this Agreement through the following activities:

- (a) exchanging national standards, relevant information, and documents;
- (b) exchange of experts;
- (c) cooperating in international standardization activities;
- (d) holding annual meetings between the Parties to review the progress, effectiveness, and contribution of the mutual cooperation in standardization and conformity assessment;
- (e) cooperating in other areas agreed on by the Parties.

Article 3

The Parties agreed to exchange the normative documents, information, periodicals published by the national standardization bodies as follows:

- 1. catalogues of national standards, separate national standards, norms and regulations (procedures);
- 2. general information and publications on certification, certification bodies, lists of product subject to the mandatory certification;

Article 4

The Parties will provide confidentiality concerning documents and information obtained within the framework of this Agreement. This information can be transferred to a third Party only with the consent of the Party which has provided that information.

Article 5

The Parties came to an agreement to work in close contact within the framework of the international organizations such as ISO, IEC, etc. to promote consolidation of their positions and to increase the role of both Parties in the international activities in the field of standardization and conformity assessment.

Article 6

The Parties came to an agreement that both Parties would make necessary efforts to build up mutual understanding on each other Party's conformity assessment system, including legal conditions, rules, and procedures in implementing the system, to ultimately obtain the mutual recognition agreement on conformity assessment, which would cover product certification, quality system certification, and product testing.

Article 7

- 1. The provisions of this Agreement, if necessary, will be specified in details by the additional agreement and/or the minutes signed by the Parties.
- 2. Cooperation according to the provision of this Agreement will be effected in conformity with the legislation of each country.

Article 8

The dispute related to the interpretation and fulfillment of this Agreement will be settled by mutual consultations and negotiations on various levels.

Article 9

Financing of cooperation will be effected on the basis of agreement between the Parties.

Article 10

- 1. The present Agreement will enter into force for five (5) years upon signature by both Parties and extend automatically every five years.
- 2. Any Party may terminate this Agreement by notification in writing to other Party regarding its intentions.

3. The validity of this Agreement will expire after six(6) months from the date of receiving by other Party of the above mentioned notification.

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