

TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENT FOR JOINT COOPERATION BETWEEN THE DJIBOUTI NATIONAL GENDARMERIE AND THE ITALIAN CARABINIERI

The Djibouti National Gendarmerie and Italian Carabinieri (hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”):

WHEREAS the two Parties are desirous of strengthening their cooperation in the fields of the training and the exchange of best practices related to their institutional services;

CONSIDERING that Italian Carabinieri have wide experience and expertise in the field of public order management and general security;

AWARE that the Djibouti National Gendarmerie is committed to enhancing capacity in public safety and general security;

RECOGNISING the need for cooperation between the Parties for their mutual benefit in the identified areas of cooperation;

HAVING REGARD to the “Agreement between the Government of the Italian Republic and the Government of the Republic of Djibouti concerning cooperation in the field of Defence”, signed in Djibouti on 30th april 2002 and the renovation of which is ongoing;

HAVING REGARD to the exchange of Verbal Notes between the Italian Embassy in Addis Ababa and the Djibouti Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, in force since 16th February 2015, on jurisdiction of the Italian military and civilian personnel;

have agreed as follows:

Article 1 OBJECTIVE

This Technical Arrangement establishes a framework of cooperation between the Djibouti Gendarmerie and Italian Carabinieri in the respective fields of competence and expertise.

The provisions of this Technical Arrangement will in no way permit the derogation from the obligations provided for in other bilateral or multilateral conventions or Arrangements signed by the parties’ Countries.

The Parties agree to pursue, to the best of their ability, mutual cooperation along with the following terms.

Article 2 IMPLEMENTATION OF COOPERATION

In order to implement this Technical Arrangement, the Parties appoint the following Authorities, which are responsible for the fulfillment of the obligations present therein:

- for Italian Carabinieri, in his capacity as a police force with military *status*, having general police duty competence and in permanent charge of the public safety, with special prerogatives conferred by law, this Technical Arrangement will be implemented by the Carabinieri General Headquarters - 2nd Department - Staff - International Cooperation Office;
- for the Djibouti Gendarmerie, in his capacity as a police force having general police duty competence and in charge to ensure public safety and order, this Technical Arrangement will be implemented by the Djibouti Gendarmerie Commissioner.

Article 3 FORMS OF COOPERATION

The Parties agree to keep open channels of communication when necessary and in the most appropriate framework, and will cooperate in order to:

- exchange own documentation, publication and scientific material in the field of crowd control, management of demonstrations and public meetings, management of riotous situations in the respect of human rights, general public order management, cybercrime, techniques for lawful interception, techniques for fighting terrorism and other offences related to organized crime, command and control, forensics, new technologies, dog unit training, territorial control, traffic police, equipment, logistics/engineering;
- exchange experts for initiatives organized by either of the two Parties, including courses, seminars, workshops, ad hoc meetings;
- exchange experiences specifically in the field of training of police personnel and both sides will assist each other in their building of security capacity;
- establish of specialized permanent desks at respective Training Institutes, upon request of the two Parties;
- conduct training, mentoring and advising activities by specific teams that will use the training structures;
- implement the participation in meetings, seminars and research panels concerning crowd control, management of demonstration and public meetings, management of riotous situations in the respect of human rights, general public order management, cybercrime, techniques for lawful interception, techniques for fighting terrorism and other offences related to organized crime, command and control, forensics, new technologies, dog unit training, territorial control, traffic police, equipment, logistics/engineering;
- jointly participate in projects funded by national and international counterparts or donors;
- finalize the transfer of materials and equipment, or the assignment of materials and equipment made on reform positions (military vehicles, antiriot vehicles, antiriot equipment, informatics items and any other), according to the specific conditions agreed from time to time.

Article 4
SECURITY OF CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

For the purposes of this Technical Arrangement, information and data to be exchanged will be “non-classified”, until the entry into force of a General Security Arrangement between the respective Governments.

Article 5
GENERAL PROVISIONS

The status of the Italian personnel is regulated by the exchange of Verbal Notes between the Italian Embassy in Addis Ababa and the Djibouti Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, in force since 16th February 2015, on jurisdiction of the Italian military and civilian personnel.

Compensation for any damages caused to a third party in the territory of the Host Party by a member of the Sending Party, during or in connection to their mission /training under this Technical Arrangement, will be indemnified by the Sending Party through direct consultation and negotiations between the Parties.

If the Sending and Host Party are responsible for any loss or damages to thirds parties caused during or in connection to the activities under the present Technical Arrangement, both of them, by mutual consent, shall reimburse the loss or damage.

The Sending Party is not responsible for any loss or damages caused to third parties by the Receiving Party during the training activities or when out of duty.

Article 6
SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any dispute related to the interpretation or implementation of this Technical Arrangement will be resolved exclusively through direct consultations and negotiations between the Parties.

Article 7
AMENDMENTS

This Technical Arrangement will be amended at any time with the written consent of the both Parties.

The amendment will enter into effect as specified in article 8 of this Technical Arrangement.

Article 8
ENTRY INTO EFFECT, DURATION AND TERMINATION

This Technical Arrangement will enter into effect on the date of its signature by the designed authorities by the Parties.

This Technical Arrangement will remain in effect until one of the Parties decides, at any time, to terminate it.

Each Party may terminate this Technical Arrangement by written communication to be transmitted to the other Party with a notice of three months.

Done at _____ on _____ in two originals,
in English language, all texts being equally authentic.

FOR THE DJIBOUTI GENDARMERIE

THE CHIEF OF STAFF

Colonel Zakaria Hassan Aden



FOR THE ITALIAN CARABINIERI

THE GENERAL COMMANDER

Lieutenant General Tullio Del Sette

