# TRUST FUND AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC

on the project:

Development of Northern Wing at Princess Alia Hospital

# WHEREAS

the Italian Directorate General for Development Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as "the Donor") wishes to contribute funds to the United Nations Development Programme (hereinafter referred to as the "UNDP") for the project: "Development of the Northern Wing at princess Alia Hospital" (hereinafter referred to as the "Project");

### WHEREAS

the UNDP and the Palestinian Ministry of Health are about to enter into a cooperation agreement regarding the implementation of the above mentioned project;

the UNDP and the Donor have agreed on the following:

# ARTICLE 1

- 1. The UNDP shall establish a trust fund under its financial rules and regulations as far as the receipt and administration of the contribution is concerned;
- 2. The Donor shall make available to the UNDP the contribution in the amount of US\$ 7,000,000 (seven million);
- 3. The Donor shall deposit the full contribution in three instalments to the UNDP contributions Account, Chase Manhattan Bank, United Nations Branch, New York, NY 10017 Account number 015-002284. Any additional amount related to mutually agreed additional services may be deposited in the same account.

4. All financial accounts and statements shall be expressed in US dollars.

# ARTICLE 2

- 1. The trust fund shall be used by UNDP to meet the costs of the project as set out in the relevant Project Document (see Annex 1 and 2) as well as the costs of support services as indicated in the paragraph 2 below.
- 2. The trust fund shall be charged with support costs for all project expenditures. This amount shall be used by UNDP, according to its rules and regulations, as reimbursement of support services provided by the same UNDP. The support cost, included in the overall project cost, shall be calculated at a 8% flat rate.
- 3. Any interest income deriving from the contribution to the trust fund shall be credited to the same trust fund in accordance with UNDP procedures.
- 4. The Donor reserves the right to claim repayment in full or in part of the contribution if part or the totality of funds are found to be misused or not satisfactorily accounted for. Before claiming repayment, the Parties shall consult with the view of reaching a solution to the matter.

# **ARTICLE 3**

- 1. The UNDP shall carry the overall responsibility for the execution of the Project and shall act, in partnership with the Ministry of Health, as co-implementing agency as indicated in the relevant project document. The responsibility of UNDP as Executing Agency as well as the other Implementing Agencies pursuant to this Agreement and the relevant project document shall begin upon receipt of the contribution by UNDP in accordance with Article 1, paragraph 3 above.
- 2. If unforeseen increases in project expenditures occur due to inflationary factors, fluctuations in exchange rates or other unforeseen contingencies, UNDP shall submit to the Donor on a timely basis a supplementary estimate showing the additional funding required. The Donor shall use its best endeavour to obtain the additional contribution required.

### **ARTICLE 4**

1. Ownership for equipment, supplies and other property financed by the contribution shall vest in the UNDP during the project implementation. Upon its completion, such ownership will be transferred according to the relevant policies and procedures of the UNDP.

# ARTICLE 5

1. The contribution of the Donor shall be subject exclusively to the internal and external auditing procedures provided for in the UNDP financial rules and regulations.

# ARTICLE 6

- 1. The UNDP shall provide the Donor with following reports prepared in accordance with UNDP accounting and reporting procedures:
  - a) a quarterly project implementation report and other progress reports as requested by the Donor;
  - b) an annual financial report which will provide information on income expenditures during the previous period;
  - c) a final report within six months from the date of completion of the Project including a detailed statement of accounts showing income expenditures by year and by budget line.

# ARTICLE 7

1. The UNDP shall notify the Donor when all project activities, for which the trust fund was established, have been completed.

# ARTICLE 8

- 1. The UNDP shall not commit itself to expenses in excess to the amount provided for by the Donor as per Art.1, paragraph 2.
- 2. Notwithstanding the completion of the project, the UNDP shall continue to hold unutilized funds until all commitments and liabilities incurred in the implementation of the Project have been satisfied.
- 3. Any fund that remains unspent after all commitments and liabilities have been satisfied shall be returned to the Donor unless otherwise agreed by exchange of diplomatic notes between the UNDP and the Donor.

# ARTICLE 9

- 1. The present Agreement may be terminated by UNDP or the Donor upon consultations between the Parties. The Agreement will cease to be in force thirty days after either Party has given written notice to the other Party of its decision to terminate the Agreement.
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# ARTICLE 10

1. The present Agreement shall enter into force upon signature.

In witness whereof, the undersigned, duly authorised by their respective representatives, have signed the present Agreement.

Done in Jerusalem, on 27.11.1998, in two originals in the English language.

For the Government of the Italian Republic:

For the United Nations Development Programme:

Dr. Enrico Nardi Consul General of Italy Mr. Willi Scholl Special Representative a.i.