AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION FOR COMBATING ILLICIT TRAFFICKING IN NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES AND OTHER CRIMES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA The Ministry of Home Affairs of the Republic of India and the Ministry of Public Security of the People's Republic of China [hereinafter referred to as the Parties]: GUIDED by their traditional friendly relations between the two countries: DEEPLY CONCERNED by the magnitude of and rising trend in acts of international organised crime and illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances: GUIDED by their international obligations and national legislation: DESIROUS of cooperation with a view to suppressing such international criminal acts: HAVE AGREED upon the following: ARTICLE-I

- 1. The parties shall cooperate and render mutual assistance in the areas of:
 - [1] combating illegal production, distribution and trade in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances:
 - [2] combating organised crime:
 - [3] combating forgery of currency [bills], securities and official documents:
 - [4] combating illegal dealing and trafficking in firearms, ammunition, explosives, strategic and prohibited materials:

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- [5] combating international illegal activities in the economic field:
- [6] exchanging experience in police training and education.
- 2. The parties shall cooperate in the fields of scientific research of mutual interest in the above areas:

ARTICLE-II

Cooperation between the Parties shall be accomplished by:

- [1] Exchanging information in all areas indicated in Article-I of this Agreement:
- Taking measures in their respective territories against illegal and criminal activities indicated in Article-I of this Agreement:
 - [3] Exchanging regulations, publications and results of scientific research in the areas of mutual interest:
- [4] Making joint efforts in scientific research, technical interchange in all areas covered under Article-I of this Agreement.
- 2. The Parties shall hold meetings between experts when considered necessary by mutual agreement, and this shall be agreed upon in advance.
- 3. The information and materials exchanged under this Agreement shall not be hanged over to a third party without the prior consent of the submitting Party.

ARTICLE-III

The Parties shall execute requests under this Agreement subject to their respective domestic legislations and rights and obligations undertaken by them under other bilateral or multilateral international Agreements.

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ARTICLE-IV

The implementation of this Agreement shall be entrusted to the Ministry of Home Affairs of the Republic of India and the Ministry of Public Security of the People's Republic of China.

ARTICLE-V

- This Agreement is subject to ratification and shall enter into force on the date of exchange of instruments of ratification.
- This Agreement shall remain valid from the date of its entry into force.
- The validity of this Agreement may be terminated by either of the Parties 2. giving thirty days notice in advance through the diplomatic channels.

Done at New Delhi on 29 Nov 1996 in two originals each in Hindi, Chinese and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of doubt, the English text shall prevail.

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For the Government of The Republic of India

For the Government of The People's Republic of China EL