

**COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE HASHEMITE  
KINGDOM OF JORDAN AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ITALIAN  
REPUBLIC FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST CRIME**

The Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and the Government of the Italian Republic, hereinafter referred to as “The Contracting Parties”;

WISHING to strengthen and extend cooperation in security matters falling within their respective competence;

CONVINCED in this way to contribute to the consolidation of the relations between both Countries;

BEING AWARE that crime-related phenomena represent a threat to public order and security of both Countries, as well as to the prosperity and physical integrity of their citizens;

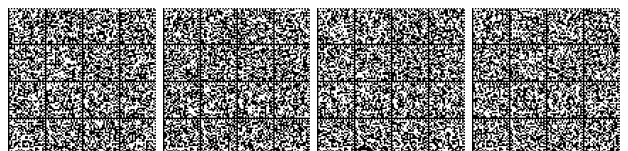
ACKNOWLEDGING the importance of international cooperation in the fight against crime;

RECALLING Resolution No. 45/123 of the UN General Assembly dated 14 December 1990 concerning international cooperation in the Fight Against Organized Crime, as well as the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs (New York, 30 March 1961) as amended by its Additional Protocol (Geneva, 25 March 1972); the Convention on the Fight Against the Illicit Trafficking in Psychotropic Substances (Vienna, 21 February 1971), the Convention on the Fight Against the Illicit Trafficking in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (Vienna, 20 December 1988) and the “Global Action Plan” (New York, 23 February 1990), drawn up under the UN aegis, and the UN Convention on the Fight Against Transnational Crime signed in Palermo on 12 December 2000 by the Italian Republic and in New York on 26 November 2002 by the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan; the relevant UN Security Council Resolutions, in particular Resolution No. 1373 (New York, 28 September 2001) and the International Conventions on the Fight Against Terrorism;

HAVE AGREED as follows:

**Article 1**

The Contracting Parties, in conformity with their relevant national legislation, shall commit themselves to cooperating in the security matters falling within their



respective competence, with particular reference to the fight against crime in all its forms.

## Article 2

The Contracting Parties establish that the bodies responsible for implementing this Agreement shall be the following:

- a) for the Italian Republic, the Department of Public Security of the Ministry of the Interior;
- b) for the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, the Public Security Directorate.

In view of a mutual information exchange to cooperate at operative level, the Contracting Parties shall mutually inform in writing of their own contact points.

## Article 3

The Contracting Parties shall agree on the procedures to establish the necessary links for the rapid exchange of information on the fight against crime, also by using their liaison officers and IT links.

## Article 4

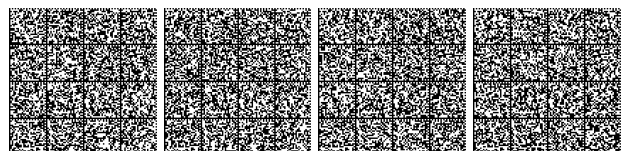
In conformity with their relevant national legislation and without prejudice to the commitments deriving from other bilateral or multilateral agreements:

- a) upon request of the competent bodies of either Contracting Party, the other Contracting Party may promote investigative procedures in case of crime-related activities also with a view to preventing terrorist acts;
- b) the requested Party shall commit itself to timely communicating the results of the above mentioned procedures.

## Article 5

In the field of counter terrorism, cooperation shall take place through the following:

- a) rapid exchange of detailed information on the activities of terrorist groups, on terrorist events and techniques through constant updating of information on terrorist threats, in particular when said events or threats jeopardise the interests of both states;
- b) regular exchange of experience and knowledge in the field of land, air and sea transport security aimed at constantly enhancing the security



provisions in force, thus allowing a progressive adjustment to the developing terrorist threat;

- c) in urgent cases – without prejudice to the provisions of Article 2 of this Agreement – the Contracting Parties shall commit themselves to transmitting – by the quickest means – detailed information on any terrorist event and perpetrators' identification by sending, also by telematic or other means, photos, photo-fingerprints and any other means for the full perpetrators' identification. They shall also transmit information on perpetrators' terrorist groups and on presence of their members on the territory of the other country in order to immediately initiate coordinated investigations.

### Article 6

In conformity with their respective national legislation, cooperation in the fight against illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and precursors shall focus on:

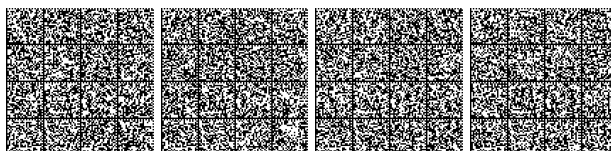
- a) methods to fight against illicit trafficking in said substances and precursors;
- b) the use of new technical tools including training methods and the use of anti drug dog units;
- c) exchange of information on the new kinds of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, on production places and methods, routes and means used by drug traffickers as well as on their concealment techniques, on price variations of said substances and on analysis techniques;
- d) methods and ways of implementation on drug controls at borders.

The Contracting Parties, in compliance with their respective national legislation, shall commit themselves to using the technique of "controlled deliveries", as defined in Article 1K of the UN Convention on the Fight Against the Illicit Trafficking in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 20 December 1988. They shall also commit themselves to promoting the adjustment of national legislation to the international provisions in force in said field.

### Article 7

Cooperation in the fight against organized crime shall take place in the following fields:

- a) regular, detailed and rapid exchange – upon request or initiative – of information on the various forms of organized crime and the fight against it;
- b) constant updating of information on actual threats posed by organized crime, as well as on techniques and bodies responsible for the fight against



this phenomenon. Said updating may also be carried out through the exchange of experts, study visits and the organisation – in both countries – of joint specialisation courses in specific operative and investigation techniques;

- c) exchange of operative information of mutual interest on possible contacts between organised criminal groups or associations in both countries;
- d) exchange of acts of Parliament and legislative measures, scientific, professional or educational publications on the fight against organised crime, as well as of information on technical tools used during police operations;
- e) cooperation in the analysis of the causes, structures, origin, development and forms of organised crime, in particular of Mafia-like crime;
- f) constant exchange of experience and technologies for the security of IT communication networks;
- g) exchange of operative information on the illicit activities managed by organised crime which both Contracting Parties intend to prosecute, i.e. counterfeiting of documents, banknotes, securities, trademarks and industrial patents; trafficking in works of art and antiques, precious metals, stolen cars; environmental crimes, including trafficking in toxic and radioactive substances; crimes committed by using IT tools, the internet and other telecommunications means, as well as other particularly serious crimes, such as trafficking in weapons and ammunitions, explosive, strategic and nuclear materials, illegal immigration and trade in human beings, sexual exploitation of women and minors and the laundering of money, goods and other illicit profits, and economic and financial transactions related to said crime. To this end, the Contracting Parties shall exchange the information that may lead – as far as cases of mutual interest are concerned – to the seizure and confiscation of said goods.

### Article 8

The Contracting Parties, in conformity with their respective national legislation, agree that cooperation in the fight against crime as envisaged by the provisions of this Agreement shall be extended to the search for fugitives responsible for criminal acts.

### Article 9

With a view to implementing the cooperation envisaged by this Agreement the respective Ministers of Interior shall meet whenever considered necessary by the Contracting Parties to foster cooperation.



At technical level, at least once a year in Rome and Amman, alternatively, and upon request of either Contracting Party, meetings shall be convened between officials from the bodies responsible for implementing this Agreement in order to assess the activities carried out and identify the new goals to be pursued. Ad hoc working groups may be set up to analyse specific issues.

#### **Article 10**

All requests for information envisaged by this Agreement shall contain a brief description of the underlying reasons.

#### **Article 11**

The Contracting Parties agree that personal and sensitive data transmitted in the framework of this Agreement shall be used only for the purposes envisaged by it and shall comply with the provisions envisaged by international Conventions as regards human rights.

Personal data may be retransmitted – for the purposes of this Agreement – to other persons or institutions only by previous written authorisation of the sending Party, in compliance with the provisions contained in the paragraph above.

#### **Article 12**

All disputes deriving from the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be settled through diplomatic channels.

#### **Article 13**

This Agreement shall not prejudice the rights and obligations deriving from other international multilateral or bilateral agreements signed by the Contracting Parties.

#### **Article 14**

Either Contracting Party may totally or partly reject the cooperation envisaged by this Agreement, should it believe that it might jeopardise the sovereignty, security, public order and other major interests of the State.



### Article 15

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the receipt of the second note by which the Contracting Parties shall officially notify their compliance with their internal procedures and shall remain in force for an indefinite period of time. Each Contracting Party may denounce this Agreement through diplomatic channels with at least a six month written notice.

In witness thereof, the undersigned representatives, duly authorised by their respective Governments, signed this Agreement.

Done at ..... *Amman* ....., on *June 22<sup>th</sup> 2011*... in two original copies, each in the Italian, Arabic and English language. In case of differing interpretations, the English text shall prevail.

ON BEHALF OF  
THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC

FRANCESCO FRANSONI  
THE AMBASSADOR OF ITALY



ON BEHALF OF  
THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN

~~SA'D AL-WABDAL-MANASIR~~  
SECRETARY GENERAL  
MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

#### LAVORI PREPARATORI

##### Camera dei deputati (atto n. 3285):

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