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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON
CONDUCTING OF BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS
BETWEEN
THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION OF THE REPUBLIC
OF SIERRA LEONE AND THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
AFFAIRS OF THE STATE OF KUWAIT**

THE Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Republic of Sierra Leone and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the State of Kuwait (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties"),

DESIRING to promote the development of relations of friendship and cooperation in the political, economic and other fields between the two countries,

ABIDING by the principle of mutual respect of each other's sovereignty, independence and non-interference in each other's internal affairs,

BELIEVING that consultations and exchange of information on the mutually interested bilateral, regional and international issues will contribute to the deepening of mutual understanding,

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GUIDED by the 1961 Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations,

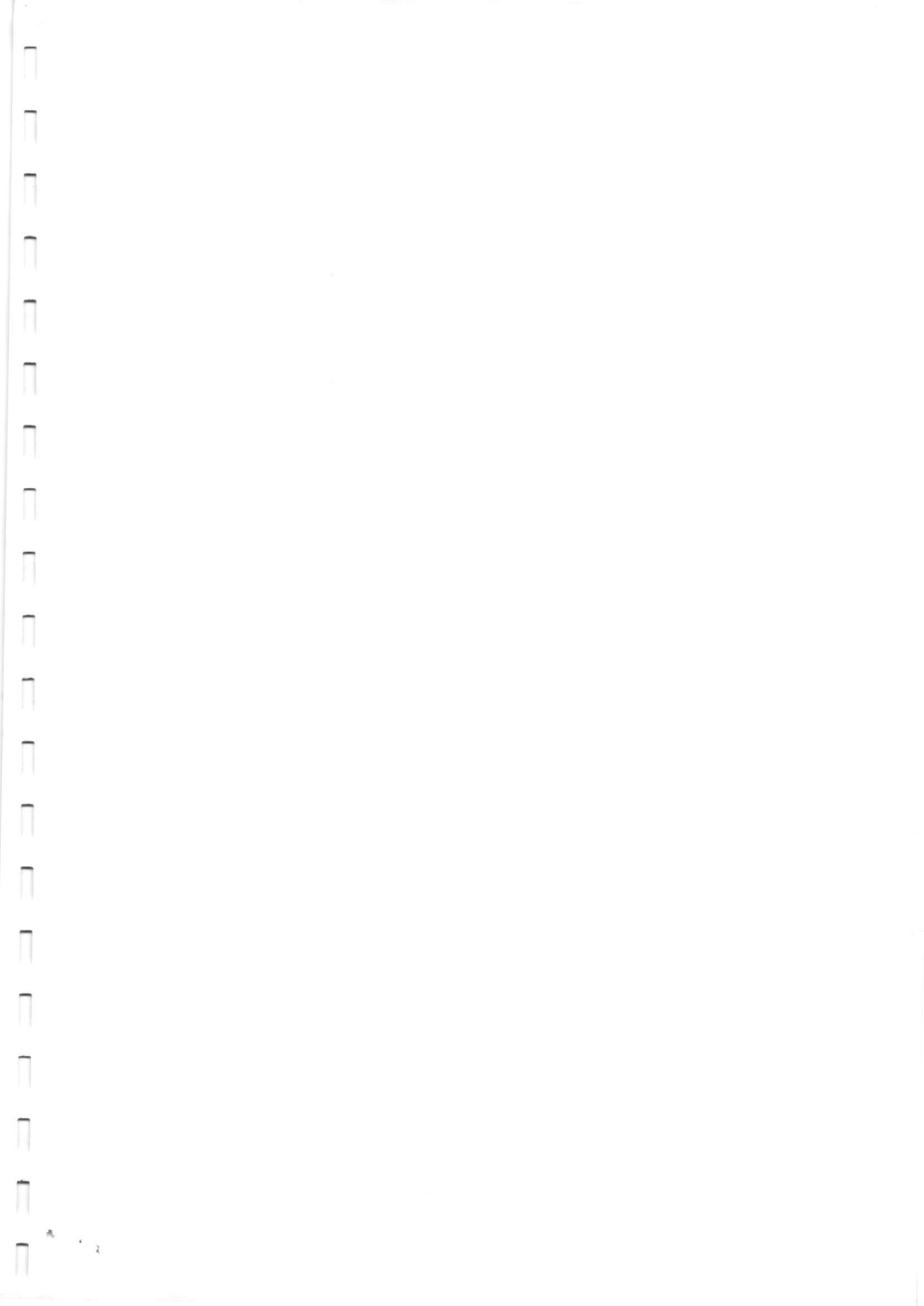
HAVE agreed as following :

Article 1

1. The Parties shall regularly hold consultative meetings at senior official level to discuss modalities of expanding and deepening the cooperation for the development of bilateral relations as well as international issues of common interest.
2. The Parties may set up working groups or expert meetings on various issues in order to discuss specific areas of common interest.

Article 2

1. The consultative meetings may be held annually two, or more frequently as deemed necessary, alternately in Sierra Leone and Kuwait or between the Permanent Missions in the United Nations and its specialized agencies and other international organizations or at international conferences.
2. In particular, Diplomatic Missions of the two countries stationed in the third countries shall consult and exchange information on the issues of mutual interest.





Article 3

The Parties shall agree on the delegations, their ranks, specific dates, venue and agenda of the consultative meetings through diplomatic channels.

Article 4

The outcome of the consultative meeting shall not be made public unless otherwise agreed upon by the Parties.

Article 5

The Parties within their competence shall look for ways and means to further develop their relations in every field and on different levels.

Article 6

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended upon mutual consent of the Parties in writing.

Article 7

1. This Memorandum Of Understanding shall enter into force on the date of its signature.
2. This Memorandum of Understanding shall remain in force for an indefinite period unless one of the parties notifies the other Party in writing of the termination with three months prior notice.

