

## CO-OPERATION AGREEMENT

The Japan Commercial Arbitration Association and Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre are both committed to the development of efficient methods of resolving commercial disputes and to assisting parties in solving commercial disputes when they arise. With these objectives in mind, it is now agreed that we shall co-operate as follows:

- 1 In promoting the use of mediation, conciliation, arbitration and any other appropriate procedures or combinations of procedures.
- 2 In the development of dispute resolution by the organization of seminars, conferences and educational programmes whenever appropriate.
- 3 In providing each other with assistance in:
  - i selection of persons of suitable experience and integrity to be included on our respective files or panels of mediators, conciliators and arbitrators;
  - ii the appointment of experts or assessors;
  - iii the appointment of mediators, conciliators and arbitrators;
  - iv the provision of facilities and support such as hearing rooms, and administrative services and arranging for translation and transcription;
  - v obtaining information, publications and advice;
  - vi any other matter relating to dispute resolution.

Before incurring any expenses, for which one party will require reimbursement, in providing assistance under this Co-operation Agreement, the party which will require reimbursement, shall obtain the other party's agreement to incur the expense.

Signed in Tokyo, 5<sup>th</sup> October 1992.

for The Japan Commercial  
Arbitration Association

(signed)

Yorhitoshi Munakata  
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