PROTOCOL OF COOPERATION

between the

Ministry of Education of the Flemish Community and the

Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic

1. The parties involved

By signing this protocol the Minister of Education of the Flemish Community, Daniel COENS, and the Minister of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic, Petr VOPENKA, express their willingness to co-operate in the implementation and the realisation of a project aiming to establish educational twinnings between Flemish and Czech vocational and technical schools, the details of which are to be drafted by the Ministry of Education of the Flemish Community in co-operation with the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic.

The concern for a good qualitative vocational and technical education of European standards, which contributes to the creation of a true democratic society characterized by welfare and well-being for all, is one of the main corner-stones of this project.

2. The project: pedagogic twinnings

The projects intends to establish pedagogic twinnings between 4 Flemish and 4 Czech vocational and technical schools. These are mentioned in annex 1.

The objective of these pedagogic twinnings is to bring about qualitative improvement of vocational and technical education stressing the following priorities:

- adapting vocational schools to new economic and technological conditions
- curriculum development
- general qualitative improvement of the supply and guidance of education

chnical equipment in such schools
alution vocational education
hool managment training heads of schools
-set of teachers
nks and cooperation between education and economic circles
.e possibility to set up higher non-university education
the creation of participative structures for parents in education

two parties involved are convinced that the co-operation thugh the project will benefit education both in Flanders and Czech Republic.

crete activities within the framework of the project will be up by mutual agreement and after approval of both parties.

first phase of the project runs from 1 September 1991 till July 1992.

The Flemish responsibility

Minister of Education of the Flemish Community is committed support the project by:

etting up a steering committee that will guide the project in utual agreement with the Czech parties involved utting at the disposal financial means which will enable to tart with the pedagogic twinnings and to organize activities. the general financial conditions for using the funds available are mentioned in annex 2

involving the Czech representatives as much as possible in pedagogic and didactic initiatives set up in Flanders and the European Community

informing Flemish industry of the project and asking their co-operation and support for the project.

4. The Czech responsibility

The Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic is committed to support the project by:

- appointing the Vocational and Professional Education Research
 Institute as its representative responsible for the implementation and guidance of the project
- giving all support and help to the Ministry of Education of the Flemish Community and to its representatives in charge of setting up of in-service training initiatives of the project in the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic
- giving, in keeping within budgetary possibilities, some financial support to the Czech'vocational and technical schools involved to cover the travel expenses of the Czech participants to in-service training initiatives, traineeships, and other activities which take place within the implementation of the project and which have been mutually agreed upon
- informing Czech economic circles on the project and solliciting their cc-operation and support for the project.

5. Evaluation of the project

Both parties decide hereby to set up a first evaluation in the period June - July 1992, before deciding to continue and/or extend the project.

The steering committee will be in charge of the evaluation together with the Czech representatives of the project.

6. Link with cultural agreements

The Minister of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic and the Minister of Education of the Flemish Community will endeavour to make definite links between this project and the existing arrangements in the field of education within the prevailing cultural agreements.

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The Minister of Education of the Flemish Community Daniel COENS

The Minister of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic
Petr VOPENKA

Pet Voriba

Annex 1: List of schools

Annex 2: Financial stipulations

Annex 1: List of Flemish and CSFR schools involved in the project

A) Flemish schools

Hoger Instituut voor Land- en Tuinbouw 'Tuinbouwschool' Melle Brusselsesteenweg 165 9090 MELLE

Technisch Instituut Glorieux St Jozefstraat 7 9041 GENT-OOSTAKKER

Koninklijk Technisch Atheneum Gent Lindenlei 38 9000 GENT

GITOK

Putse Steenweg 43 2920 KALMTHOUT

Koninklijk Technisch Atheneum Halle St Annastraat 9 1500 HALLE

Vrij Technisch Instituut Roeselare Leenstraat 32-58 8800 ROESELARE

Technische Scholen Mechelen Jef Denijnplein 2 2800 MECHELEN

Provinciaal Instituut voor Technisch Onderwijs Laageind 19 2940 STABROEK



B) CSFR Schools

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Stredni zahradnická skola Na Polabi **411**

276 87 MELNik - Czech Republic

Stredni odborné *uciliste* mistniho hospodarstvi Kpt. Jarose **612**

432 01 KADAN - Czech Republic

Stredni odborné uciliste chemické Delnicka 100

435 13 MEZIBORI - Czech Republic

Stredni prumyslova Skola sdelovaci techniky Panska ul. 3

110 00 PRAHA 1 - Czech Republic

Stredne odborné uciliste polnohospodarske UI. SNP ${f 1}$

953 30 ZLATÉ MORAVCE - Slovak Republic

Stredna priemyselna skola chemicka Akademicka 13

953 2s BANSKÁ STIAVNICA - Slovak Republic

Stredná priemyselná Skola elektrotechnická Partizánska 1

071 92 MICHALOVCE - Slovak Republic

Annex 2: Financial stipulations

- **4.1.** The financial means necessary to implement the project and approved by the Minister of Education of the Flemish Community are available for the school year 1991 1992 and can be used between 1 September 1997 and 31 July 1992.
- 4.2. The steering group composed by the Minister of Education of the Flemish Community will, in consultation with The Czech representatives, approve the financial means requested for parts of the project or activities of the twinned schools, and this within the limits of the budget.

The means will be put at the disposal on the basis of a budget proposal made for each activity.

- 4.3. The Flemish school will be responsible for an overall financial report and a report of the activities before IS July 1992, and this for the first working year.
- Within one twinning-project both the twinnend schools will, **each** separately, make a financial report giving a detailed description of the use of the money.
- 4.4. Travel expenses of the Czech representatives will not be refunded for any of the activities within the project. Expenses for accommodation and pocket money for the activities planned will, as provided in the project, be paid for the Czech participants by the budget of rhe project.