MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Federal Minister for Education, Science and Culture of the Republic of Austria

and

The Minister for Education and Science of the Republic of Albania

- based on the longstanding friendly relations between the two countries,
- in the common effort to further develop and enhance co-operation in the areas of education and science,
- in recognition that these joint actions in the areas of education and science will yet contribute to the further strengthening of the ties between the two countries

declare their intention to initiate a bilateral agreement for co-operation in the fields of Education and Science.

Austrian goods and deliveries that will be sent to Albania in the framework of such an agreement as humanitarian aid to Education and Science, will be exempted from full tax and customs tariffs according to the legal and sub-legal acts in effect in Albania.

Tirana, April 2003

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