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The CoOperative Movement in the Northern Trucial States

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 The Cooperative movement in the Trucial States is recently known. The lst and the only tegistered cooperative society has been registered on the 7th ofApril, 1970, under the mame of "Jamiet Alamantica al Sharqiyyah al Ta"awinjyah Alsiraiyyah" in Sharjah. There are fifty farmers who are members of the cooperative.

There are another two Agricultural Cooperatives under of registertion in Ras al-Khaimah State which is considered/the strongest supplier of vegetables all over the states.

In Muhai the mast important trading center, there is a possibility of forming a consumer cooperative or more. There may be some possibilities for forming fisherman Cooperatives in Um al Qalwain, Fujaira and Ajman.

## 2. <u>Cooperative Legislations</u>

There is no common cooperative law, which perhaps will be issued after the states, unite, this federation which is the hope of all the states. Cooperatives are initiated now by an ordinance issued by the governer of the concerned states, which may serve legally as the law. The ordinance together with the by-laws are the legal documents of the society.

The by-laws are taken mostly from general model by-laws of many states governments in the world. Most of its sections are taken from Arab countries.

Enclosed herewith is the ordizance issued by His Highness, Sh. Khalid bin Moh'd al-Qassimi, the Governor of Sharjah State. The cooperative by-law is also enclosed.

The cooperative & Marketing Department foster and control the cooperative movement in the Trucial states in accordance with the Trucial States Council regulations. The Department includes the Director, three super velocity, and a clerk, in addition to local data collectors for marketing research.

This department will be the neucleus from which the whole integrated Cooperative movement will be formed in the coming Trucial States Federation

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The ILO sent its expert Nr. Mukhtar Handto before the department has started. Also he has visited the Department just on the first days of its start. It is supposed that he should send a repert on his visit.

- 4. There are two University graduates in the Department, of which one is an Agricultural Engineer.
- 5. The Trucial States Opuncil also sent a/scholar from Res al-Khmiman for a course in cooperatives, at Loughborough College in U.K. He is supposed to resume his work in the department on June.
- 6. The department issued four pamphlets since the beginning of the year 1970. Same issue on comparatives & Marketing have been broadcasted through Sawt el Sahel Station at Sharjem. Lectures en cooperative has been held at the Agricultural school in Uigdaga.
- 7. Last but not least, the Truckal States Council agreed to share, in all Arab/International Organizations which will help in developing the country. and

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