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The rapid growth of large industries in the U.A.R. planned and owned by the Government during the past fifteen years, necessitated the dependence of the majority of these new industries on their own manufacturing facilities for the manufacturing of all component parts required in the final products. Thus sub-contracting played a very small part in the industrialization of the country.

However a kind of co-operation started lately between the public sector factories and the smaller ones belonging to the private sector. In certain instances, raw material, technical drawings and information were provided.

Difficulties of pricing, adherence to times of delivery and conformity to specifications are continually being encountered.

Up to the present, no organization exists to co-ordinate between the different parties.

The U.A.R. Federation of Industries together with the Ministry of Industry, are deliberating with a view to set up some form of organization to help create co-ordination and co-operation between the large factory and the small workshop, or in other words between the Government owned large industrial establishments and the small privately owned workshops.

It may be of interest to mention here that the production of the private sector constitutes 18% of the total industrial production of the U.A.R. The total number of units responsible for that percentage are 825 units located mainly in the Cairo and Alexandria areas. The total labour force employed by these units amounts to 439100

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