BILATERAL

AGREEMENT ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC

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The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic, hereinafter referred to as the Contracting Parties, desirous of maintaining and strengthening the friendly relations existing between the two countries, and recognizing the advantages to be derived by their respective peoples in promoting and developing mutual scientific and technical cooperation, have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

The Contracting Parties, in accordance with their respective laws, rules and regulations, shall promote and develop scientific and technical cooperation in fields in which the two Parties are interested.

ARTICLE II

The scientific and technical cooperation referred to in Article I shall consist of:

1. Provision of scientists, experts and technicians as well as equipment, instruments, accessories, other materials and information necessary for the implementation of the provisions of the present Agreement;

2. Organization of theoretical and practical training programs for the nationals of both Contracting Parties; and

3. Such other forms of scientific and technical cooperation as the Contracting Parties may agree upon.

ARTICLE III

To implement the scientific and technical cooperation provided for in Article II, the Contracting Parties agree to negotiate implementing programs which shall embody specific project arrangements in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

The implementing programs of cooperation shall contain detailed description of the activities to be undertaken, the manner in which the activities shall be carried out, the contributions of the cooperating institutions, their rights and duties, and the financial conditions for achieving the purposes of the activities.

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines designates the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Government of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic designates the Ministry of Foreign Trade as their executive agencies for the purpose of implementing this Agreement. The executive agencies of the Contracting Parties shall maintain constant contact through diplomatic channels.

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ARTICLE IV

The scientists, experts and technicians requested by either Contracting Party, as well as candidates for training in the scientific and technical fields provided for in Article II of this Agreement, shall be selected by the sending Party, taking into consideration the specifications contained in the request. The sending Party shall communicate to the other their names and qualifications for approval. Each Party shall give them the necessary assistance so that they may accomplish their mission.

ARTICLE V

The scientists, experts, technicians and trainees exchanged under this Agreement shall observe the laws, rules and regulations in force in the country to which they are sent. The provisions of the present Agreement shall not limit the right of either Contracting Party to adopt or execute measures for reasons of public health, morals, order or security.

ARTICLE VI

In the exercise of their functions, all scientists, experts, technicians and trainees shall maintain close relations with the competent authorities of the country in which they are attached and shall be guided by the terms set for the fulfillment of their tasks and the fulfillment of the provisions of the present Agreement and of supplementary Protocols that may be executed concerning their activities.

ARTICLE VII

Each Contracting Party pledges not to convey to a third country or persons or organizations of a third country, without the written approval of the other Contracting Party, any specialized knowledge or information arising from scientific and technical cooperation undertaken, under the present Agreement.

ARTICLE VIII

The present Agreement will not relate to scientists, experts, technicians, and trainees assuming duty not within the framework of this Agreement.

ARTICLE IX

Both Contracting Parties shall, upon the explicit request of either of them, consult each other on any matter relating to the implementation of this agreement.

ARTICLE X

The present Agreement shall enter into force on the day the Contracting Parties inform each other of its approval through an exchange of diplomatic notes in accordance with the existing internal legislation of each of the Contracting Parties. The Agreement remains in force unless terminated by either Contracting Party through a six-month prior notice

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