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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON COOPERATION BETWEEN THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND THE SAUDI PORTS AUTHORITY OF THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA

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WHEREAS, the Republic of the Philippines and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia are presently linked by ties of friendship and cooperation;

WHEREAS, to promote this existing relationship, the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, through their respective government agencies, agree to cooperate through the exchange of their technical expertise in the fields of planning, development, management, and operation of ports;

WHEREAS, the PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY and SAUDI PORTS AUTHORITY were established to undertake the planning, development, and administration of port activities in their respective countries;

WHEREAS, the PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY and SAUDI PORTS AUTHORITY are desirous of establishing a frame-work of cooperation between them;

NOW, THEREFORE, the PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY and the SAUDI PORTS AUTHORITY agree to pursue the following areas of cooperation:

- Manpower development. A program for the training and development of port workers, to include the setting-up of training-centers and facilities, the provision of trainors, and the implementation of port training courses;

- Exchange of expertise. The program shall include the exchange of officials and technical personnel through official visits, with the end in view of promoting technology transfer;

- Consultations. A program on consultation, may be developed wherein consultants from the Philippines and Saudi Arabia may be availed of to undertake studies to optimize on-going port management and operation systems;

- Construction and Maintenance. The parties shall cooperate in the areas of construction and maintenance of ports. Exchange of technical information shall be encouraged in these areas.

- Sister port relationships. A program wherein selected Philippine Ports can enter into a sister port arrangement with counterpart Saudi Ports in order to promote better international understanding and enhance seaborne trade.

- Other possible areas of cooperation. These may take the form of various operational, technical and financial, other assistance programs that may be developed and agreed upon by the Philippine Ports Authority and the Saudi Ports Authority.

The mechanics of particular programs of cooperation, including terms and conditions, shall be set forth in separate Implementing Agreements between pertinent Departments of the two countries.

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This Memorandum of Understanding shall remain effective for a period of three years from the date of its signature and shall remain effective thereafter unless otherwise terminated by either party by giving six months prior notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the respective representatives, duly authorized for the purpose, have hereunder signed this Memorandum of Understanding.

Done in Manila, Philippines, this 20th day of December, 1980.

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