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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

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The Department of Health of the Republic of the Philippines and the Ministry of Health of the Russian Federation, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties".

Taking into consideration that the cooperation in the field of public health is a basis of bilateral relations and the experience accumulated by the Parties in the field of health is an important element of strategic partnership between the States,

Realizing the common existing and emerging health risks that still threaten all people, regardless of their age, gender, way of living, ethnic origin and socio-economic status,

Acknowledging the expediency of joining efforts of both States in solving problems of mutual interest in the field of health,

Have reached the following understanding:

1. The objective of this Memorandum is to strengthen co9peration in the sphere of public health matters between the Parties on a mutually beneficial and equal basis.

2. The Parties will cooperate in the following areas:

a) Prevention and control of non-communicable chronic diseases and infectious diseases, including emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases (including mosquito-borne diseases), vaccine-preventable diseases and socially important infectious diseases;

b) Disaster Risk Reduction for Health through prevention and control of the public health consequences, including mental health concerns, after natural disasters;

c) Protection of mother and child health;

d) Organization of national health care systems;

e) Professional training and advanced training of medical personnel;

f) Nuclear medicine.

3. Joint activities within the framework of this Memorandum can be carried out in the following forms:

a. Exchange of scientific and technical information in the field of health;

b. Holding seminars, symposia, conferences, exhibitions, scientific meetings, and other joint events in the field of public health;

c. Sharing experience through meetings of experts, researchers and specialists of health.

4. By agreement, the Parties may develop other forms and areas of cooperation that meet the objectives of this Memorandum.

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5. The Parties will assist direct cooperation between affiliated medical and research institutions of both States.

6. Cooperation under this Memorandum will be financed with the reference to supplementary arrangements between the Parties using the financial resources of the Parties or, when appropriate, the financial resources of institutions and organizations participating in cooperation, if funds are available and necessary authorization for funding is received.

7. The Parties will solve any disagreements arising in the course of implementation of this Memorandum, through consultations and negotiations.

8. Any amendment or revision to the text of this Memorandum will be done by mutual consent of the Parties. Such amendment or revision will be applied in accordance with paragraph 10 of the present memorandum.

9. This Memorandum does not constitute an international treaty and does not create rights and obligations under international law.

10. This Memorandum will be applied from the date of its signing until either Party notifies the other Party in writing of their intention to discontinue its application. In this case, the application of Memorandum will be terminated from the date of receipt of such notification.

Termination of the Memorandum will not imply the termination of the programs and projects started and being implemented within the framework of this Memorandum and not completed by the time of the termination of the Memorandum.

Signed at Moscow on 2 October of 2019 in English and Russian languages, in duplicate.

For
The Department of Health
of the Republic of the Philippines

For
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of the Russian Federation

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