

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GENERAL PEOPLE'S...

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The Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines and the General People's Committee for Foreign Liaison and International Cooperation of the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, hereinafter jointly referred to as "The Parties";

Desiring to develop and strengthen the relations of friendship and mutually advantageous cooperation between the two countries and people's;

Working jointly for the safeguard of international peace as well as to enhance consultations on bilateral, regional and international issues of mutual interest;

HAVE agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The Parties shall establish a mechanism of consultations at the level of undersecretary and/or high ranking officials as appropriate, of the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines and the General People's Committee for Foreign Liaison and International Cooperation of the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya which shall whenever necessary and possible, meet alternately once a year in the capitals of the two countries, to hold consultations on bilateral relations, regional and international issues of mutual interest.

ARTICLE 2

The parties shall promote contacts between their diplomatic and consular missions in third countries to exchange views on matters of mutual interest.

ARTICLE 3

The permanent missions of the parties in the United Nations and other international organizations, as well as their representatives attending international conferences, shall maintain regular contacts and shall, whenever necessary, consult each other in issues of mutual interest.

ARTICLE 4

The subject matters of the consultations referred to in Article 1 shall include, inter alia, the following:

- i. Issues concerning the deepening of their bilateral cooperation in all fields;
- ii. Issues relating to security and cooperation in Southeast Asia and in North Africa; and
- iii. Other international issues of mutual interest.

Either of the parties may request, should the need arise, the holding of extraordinary meetings.

ARTICLE 5

The parties shall ensure that documents or information mutually provided are not transferred or supplied to a Third Party without their written consent.

ARTICLE 6

1. Either party may request in writing, through diplomatic channels, a revision or amendment of this Memorandum of Understanding.
2. Any revision or amendment agreed upon by the parties shall become effective in accordance to Article 7.

ARTICLE 7

This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on the date of the later written notification by the Parties, through diplomatic channels, indicating compliance with their respective domestic requirements for its entry into force.

This Memorandum of Understanding shall be valid for a period of five (5) years and shall be automatically renewed for similar period(s) unless sooner terminated by written notice, through diplomatic channels, sixty (60) days prior to the intended date of termination.

Done in Manila on the 16th day of January 2004 in two original copies in English language.

For the Government of the
Republic of the Philippines

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