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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT STATE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA CONCERNING COOPERATION IN T...

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The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea hereinafter referred to as "the Parties,"

DESIRING to strengthen the friendly relations and mutual understanding existing between their respective countries,

RECOGNIZING the common interest of both countries to establish cooperation in the field of tourism,

RECOGNIZING further the importance of tourism in the enhancement of knowledge and understanding between the people of the two countries and as an essential element for economic development of both countries,

DESIRING to promote and develop cooperation in the field of tourism between their respective countries within the framework of the Agreement on Technical Cooperation between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea signed on July 20, 1990.

HAVE REACHED THE FOLLOWING UNDERSTANDING:

ARTICLE 1

The Parties shall, subject to the laws and regulations of the respective countries, promote and develop cooperation in the field of tourism on the basis of reciprocity and mutual benefit for both countries.

ARTICLE 2

The Parties shall encourage and promote individual or group travel by their respective citizens and citizens of third country to the Philippines and Papua New Guinea.

ARTICLE 3

The Parties shall authorize their following competent agencies to implement this Memorandum of Understanding: -

The Philippine

Party : Department of Tourism

The Papua New Department of Civil Aviation,

Guinea Party : Culture and Tourism (including Air Niugini and Tourism

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Promotion Authority).

ARTICLE 4

The Parties shall encourage the exchange of experience in all matters relating to the organization, management and business operation of tourism in their respective countries and the exchange of publication, study materials and other information relating to tourism.

ARTICLE 5

The Parties shall endeavor to promote technical assistance in the field of tourism through the exchange of experts and the training of personnel. The terms and conditions of such technical assistance shall be the subject of specific arrangement to be mutually agreed upon by the Parties in a written Understanding on the basis of and within the framework of this Memorandum of Understanding.

ARTICLE 6

In conformity with their respective national laws, each Party shall endeavor to establish in its territory the tourism representative office of the other Party for the purpose of tourism.

ARTICLE 7

Either Party may request in writing, through diplomatic channels, a revision or amendment of all or part of this Memorandum of Understanding. Any revision or amendment which has been agreed to by the Parties shall come into effect on a date to be mutually agreed upon and shall accordingly form part of this Memorandum of Understanding.

ARTICLE 8

Any difference or dispute arising out of the implementation or application of the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably by consultation or negotiation between the Parties without reference to the third party or international tribunal.

ARTICLE 9

1.This Memorandum of Understanding shall become effective on the date of signature and remain valid for five (5) years and renewed after its successive expiry thereafter, unless otherwise terminated by one party giving the other six (6) months written notice through diplomatic channel, of its intention to terminate this Memorandum of Understanding.

2.Notwithstanding the termination of this Memorandum of Understanding in accordance with paragraph 1, it shall continue to apply in respect of any Understanding or Contract which has been agreed upon thereunder until it has been fully executed unless the Parties agree otherwise.

DONE in duplicate at Manila in English, this ninth day of February 1996.

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