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CULTURAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

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The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the People's Republic of China, hereinafter referred to as the High Contracting Parties,

Desirous of strengthening the friendly relations between the two countries, and promoting the developing exchanges in the fields of culture, art, education, and sports have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I
The High Contracting Parties agree to promote the development of mutually beneficial relations in the fields of culture, art, and education on the basis of mutual respect for sovereignty and in conformity with the laws and regulations in each country, bearing in mind the interests of their respective peoples.

ARTICLE II
The High Contracting Parties, subject to the laws and regulations of their respective countries, shall endeavour to accord to each other every facility to increase mutual understanding and exchanges in the fields of culture, art and education.

ARTICLE III
The High Contracting Parties agree to promote exchanges in sports and physical education through the holding of athletic competitions on the basis of reciprocal invitations.

ARTICLE IV
The High Contracting Parties agree, on the basis of reciprocity and subject to the laws and regulations of their respective countries, to adopt the necessary measures for the protection in their respective territories of the literary and artistic property of each other's nationals, including national cultural treasures.

ARTICLE V
The High Contracting Parties agree that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines and the Ministry of Culture of the People's Republic of China will, through appropriate diplomatic channels, consult on details for the implementation of the present Agreement and work out programmes of cultural exchanges.

ARTICLE VI
The provisions of the present Agreement shall be in conformity with the laws and regulations concerning the internal security of the High Contracting Parties.

ARTICLE VII
The present Agreement shall enter into force on the day of signature, and shall be valid for a period of three (3) years, renewable automatically for successive periods of three (3) years, renewable automatically for successive periods of three (3) years unless either of the High Contracting Parties requests its termination by serving a written notice to the other Party six (6) months prior to the intended date of termination.

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