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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE FOREIGN SERVICE INSTITUTE OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE INSTITUTE FOR DIPLOMATIC STUDIES OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ...

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The Foreign Service Institute of the Republic of the Philippines and the Institute for Diplomatic Studies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Republic of Djibouti, hereinafter referred to as the "Participants",

Desiring to strengthen the existing friendly relations through closer cooperation in the fields of education and training of the Participants;

Considering the need to develop and foster education and training cooperation, as well as the cooperation between the education and training institutions of the Participants, and;

Pursuant to the prevailing laws and regulations of the two countries,

Have reached the following Understanding:

Paragraph 1
Objectives

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is intended to create conditions for maintaining regular contacts and curricula cooperation between the two diplomatic institutions. Such cooperation will not be guided by any commercial consideration.

The MOU will provide a framework for cooperation in the fields of education and training and promote human resources development for diplomats of both countries.

The Participants recognize that a priority task of such cooperation is to elaborate and introduce modem methods in training experts in the fields of international relations and diplomatic studies.

Paragraph 2
Area of Cooperation

The Participants will engage in short-term exchange of information of the curricula of their respective diplomatic courses, seminars and workshops, or other similar programs, on questions of mutual interest. They will also exchange publications and other printed materials published by the Participants or other institutions in their respective countries in the fields of foreign policy, international relations, international law, international economic affairs, political science, diplomatic studies and other subjects of the curricula. The Participants will encourage promotion of joint scientific and academic cooperation in areas of common interest.

The Participants will cooperate through programs of basic and specialized courses, and will mutually consult on questions concerning courses conducted in foreign languages and foreign language courses. On the basis of reciprocity, the Participants may organize exchange of lecturers and students with a view to upgrading their

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professional qualifications, exchange experience concerning organization of work in libraries, teaching and scientific institutions and so forth. The forms, terms and financial conditions of the exchange will be agreed in detail between the Participants on a case by case basis.

Paragraph 3
Implementation

The Participants will keep in touch for further consultation and discussion on issues that may arise in the exchange and cooperation under this MOU.

For the implementation of this MOU the Participants will draw up the procedures, plans, and recommended programs of cooperation with a view to achieving its objectives.

Paragraph 4
Settlement of Disputes

Any disputes between the Participants concerning the interpretation and/or implementation of this MOU will be settled amicably through consultation.

Paragraph 5
Amendments

This MOU may be reviewed or amended at any time by mutual consent of the Participants. Such revisions or amendments will take effect on the date mutually determined by the Participants and will form an integral part of this MOU.

Paragraph 6
Effectivity, Duration and Termination

The MOU will enter into force on the date of its signature and will remain in force for a period of five (5) years, after which it will be further extended for subsequent periods of five (5) years each, unless either Participant informs the other Participant in writing of its intention to terminate this MOU not later than three (3) months prior to the expiry of its validity.

The amendment or termination of this MOU will not affect the validity and duration of any ongoing programs or activities that have commenced prior to its amendment or termination.

Signed in Manila on this 10th day of January 2017 in two originals each in English language, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Foreign Service Institute of the
Republic of the Philippines

For the Institute for Diplomatic
Studies of the Ministry of Foreign
Affairs and International Cooperation
of Republic of Djibouti

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