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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA

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CONCERNING SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL CO-OPERATION

The Government of Australia and the Government of the Philippines (hereinafter referred to as 'the Parties') recognising the key role that science and technology play in economic and social development and the benefits of enhanced scientific and technological cooperation between the Australia and the Philippines, have reached the following understanding:

IMPLEMENTING AUTHORITIES

1. This Memorandum of Understanding will be implemented on behalf of the Government of Australia by the Department of Industry, Technology and Commerce and on behalf of the Government of the Philippines by the Department of Science and Technology.

OBJECTIVES

2. The Parties will:

a. promote co-operation in science and technology in areas of mutual interest, especially those relevant to economic and social development;

b. facilitate interaction on science and technology between relevant institutions and enterprises in the two countries with a view to developing mutually beneficial collaboration between those institutions and enterprises, for example, in research and development and in commercial application of research and development.

IMPLEMENTATION

3. In order to pursue the objectives listed in paragraph 2 above, the Parties will:

a. identify opportunities for and promote joint research and development projects in areas to be mutually determined by the Parties. Such areas may be reviewed as requires and amended by mutual consent;

b. encourage and support increased interaction between institutions and enterprises of both countries through experts missions, the exchange of personnel, seminars workshops and training programs; and

c. exchange information on science and technology.

4. Detailed proposals for program of co-operation under paragraphs 3 will be considered by the two Parties after entry into effect of this Memorandum of Understanding and thereafter on a regular basis.

5. Co-operation projects under this Memorandum of Understanding may be the subject of separate agreements and contracts between relevant institutions and enterprises covering details of funding, the treatment of intellectual property and other appropriate matters.

6. the request of either Party, the interpretation or implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding will

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be the subject of consultation or negotiation between the Parties or by such other means as they may mutually decide.

7. This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by mutual consent. Any such amendment will be in writing and executed by both Parties. Either Party may at any time ask the other to consider an amendment.

COMMENCEMENT AND TERMINATION

8. This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on the date of signature. It may be determined by either Party giving written notice to the other of its intention to terminate it, in which case it will terminate ninety days after the date of receipt of the notice of termination.

Signed at Manila in duplicate, this thirtieth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine.

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For the Government of Australia

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