

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE
DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE
PHILIPPINES AND THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE OF THE KINGDOM
OF SPAIN REGARDING DEFENSE COOPERATION**

The Department of National Defense of the Republic of the Philippines and the Ministry of Defense of the Kingdom of Spain (hereinafter jointly referred as "The Participants", and separately as a "Participant"):

RECOGNIZING the mutual benefits inherent to defense cooperation between the Participants;

RECOGNIZING that the implementation of such cooperation shall be carried out in compliance with the policies and priorities of the respective Participants, and in accordance with the conditions as mutually determined on each occasion by the Participants;

DESIRING to further strengthen the bilateral relations between the Department of National Defense of the Republic of the Philippines and the Ministry of Defense of the Kingdom of Spain.

Both Participants have decided on the following, subject to their Constitutions, laws, regulations and policies:

**I
PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to enhance defense cooperation through the exchange of experience and knowledge between the Participants.

**II
IMPLEMENTATION**

The Participants entrust the implementation of this Memorandum to their respective Department/Ministry of Defense.

**III
DEFENSE COOPERATION**

In the field of defense cooperation, the Participants may, subject to their respective rules and regulations:

- a. Establish a mechanism for a defense and security dialogue;*
- b. Exchange visits;*
- c. Exchange information and experience; and*
- d. Identify opportunities in such fields as logistics, defense industry, counter-terrorism, humanitarian aid and relief, and others.*

IV OTHER ACTIVITIES

The Participants, subject to their respective rules and regulations, may cooperate in other defense-related activities not mentioned in Paragraph III, including:

- a. Port calls;*
- b. Attendance in trainings/seminars, schooling under scholarship grants, discussions, symposia and other fora as well as exchange of personnel for on-the-job-training; and*
- c. Undertake any other activity which in their opinion will contribute to promote closer cooperation between the Department/Ministry of Defense of both Participants.*

V FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

1. All expenses of the personnel, who are involved in cooperation activities according to the provisions of this Memorandum, will be decided on a reciprocal basis as follows:

- a. The hosting Participant will cover local transportation expenses for the delegation and will try to provide, at its own expense, medical services in emergency cases on its national territory; and*
- b. The sending Participant will cover expenses for accommodations and meals, and all other expenses.*

2. The above mentioned commitments may be changed by written consent of both Participants.

VI EXCHANGED INFORMATION SECURITY