

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON ANTI-CORRUPTION
BETWEEN THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN OF THE REPUBLIC
OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT INSPECTORATE OF
THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM**

The Government Inspectorate of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam is a ministerial-level agency of the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam performing the function of State management over the works of inspection, complaint and denunciation settlement, and anti-corruption.

The Office of the Ombudsman of the Republic of the Philippines, pursuant to its mandate under the Philippine Constitution and Republic Act 6770 as the protector of the People is the lead agency in the fight against graft and corruption with the ultimate goal of improving accountability, transparency and efficiency in the government. (hereinafter referred to as the Parties)

Realizing that the grave situation caused by corruption erodes social ethics, depraves public officials and deteriorates the welfare of peoples and nations worldwide;

Being aware that the prevention of and fight against transnational corruption can be enhanced by the collaborative and continuous efforts between the Parties; and

Desiring to strengthen collaborative efforts in preventing and combating corruption on the basis of equality, friendship and mutual benefits in accordance with the prevailing laws and customs of their respective countries and international law;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1. General Provision

The Parties agree to cooperate in preventing and combating corruption and settlement of administrative complaints. The cooperation under this Memorandum of Understanding will be supervised by the highest Leaders of the Parties.

Article 2. Areas of Cooperation

The areas of cooperation shall include:

1. Subject, to the actual needs of each Party, the Parties shall cooperate in developing human resources through: (a) professional training courses, (b) exchange of expertise and (c) capacity building workshops and seminars.
2. Subject to particular capacities of each Party, the Parties shall exchange information and professional materials on preventing and combating corruption (except for the confidential items as stipulated by the legislations of the respective Parties), exchange experiences with respect to detecting corrupt acts as well as methods and means of people who commit corrupts acts.