

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE
DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE
PHILIPPINES AND THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENSE OF
THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF
BILATERAL RELATIONS ON DEFENSE**

The Department of National Defense of the Republic of the Philippines and the Minister of National Defense of the Republic of Poland, hereinafter jointly referred to as "the Participants" and individually as "a Participant";

Recognizing the need to strengthen the existing friendly relations between the Republic of the Philippines and the Republic of Poland;

Considering the importance of developing and promoting bilateral cooperation in the field of defense;

Acting in accordance with their national laws, international law and international commitments of their States;

Have amicably agreed as follows:

**Paragraph I
Objective**

The objective of this Memorandum of Understanding, hereinafter referred to as "MOU", is to provide a framework for the development of bilateral relations on defense suitable for the Participants and based on the principles of equality, mutual benefits and partnership.

**Paragraph II
Status**

1. This MOU does not constitute a treaty within the meaning of article 2 paragraph 1 letter a of the Vienna Convention on the law of treaties, done in Vienna on 23 May 1969, hereinafter referred to as "VCLT", and does not give rise to any legal obligation under international or national law.
2. The organs responsible for the application of this MOU will be the Department of National Defense on behalf of the Republic of the Philippines and the Minister of National Defense on behalf of the Republic of Poland.

**Paragraph III
Areas of Cooperation**

1. The Participants agree to develop their bilateral relations on defense in the following areas:
 - (a) military education, training and capacity building;
 - (b) logistical requirements of the armed forces;
 - (c) armament and military equipment;
 - (d) defense industry and technology.