AGREEMENT ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT MONGOLIA

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Mongolia, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties";

Desiring to enhance the friendly relations existing between the two countries;

Recognizing mutual advantages in promoting and developing scientific and technological co-operation;

Acknowledging that science and technology are vital components of economic growth and development;

Sharing the desire to respond jointly to the technological requirements of development as a means of strengthening economic ties;

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I SCOPE OF COOPERATION

The Parties shall promote and develop, in accordance with their respective laws and regulations, scientific and technological cooperation in fields mutually agreed upon, such as, but not limited to natural products research, natural fibers and dyes, biotechnology, health, natural resources management, environment, food processing, disaster management, and human resources development, based upon principles of equal rights and mutual advantage.

ARTICLE II MODES OF COOPERATION

Scientific and technological cooperation on science and technology referred to in Article I shall consist of:

1. Joint research and development activities, and experiments;

2. Joint technical studies for application in mutually agreed upon fields of cooperation;

3. Organization of joint training and specialized training courses;

4. Organization of joint conferences, symposia, courses, workshops, and exhibitions;

5. Upon request, provision of services of professionals, experts and research workers in scientific and technological fields;

6. Exchange of scientists, experts and research workers for studies, consultations, observations, and training;

7. Reciprocal grant of scholarships and/ or fellowships for post-graduate studies and masters and doctorate degrees;

8. Exchange of information, documentation, publications, film, and other similar materials;

9. Provision of necessary assistance, as may be agreed upon, for implementing transfer of appropriate technologies for identified projects;

10. Promotion and support for exchange of technologies between private enterprises, including technological cooperation arrangements; and

11. Other modes of cooperation as may be mutually agreed upon.

ARTICLE III EXCHANGES, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

1. Either Party shall, in accordance with the specifications of the other Party, select candidates for exchanges, scholarships and fellowships. The sending Party shall communicate to the host Party, for its consideration, the names and qualifications of the selected candidates.

2. The expenses to be incurred in respect of each specific program under this Article shall be covered as follows:

a) The sending Party shall defray the cost of international transportation between the two countries, unless the host party manifests otherwise, and

b) The host Party shall cover the candidate's accommodation and transportation expenses within its territory, in accordance with its rules and regulations.

3. Candidates exchanged under this Agreement shall observe the laws, rules and regulations of the host Party.

4. Each Party shall, in accordance with their respective existing laws and regulations, guarantee that candidates exchanged under this Article and persons sent by the other Party under this Agreement would be accorded the necessary facilities and assistance for the accomplishment of their studies or missions.

ARTICLE IV INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

1. Matters pertaining to intellectual property rights that may arise from any project or activity pursuant to the Agreement shall be determined and agreed upon by the Parties prior to the implementation of said project or activity.

2. Each Party pledges not to convey to a third party or citizens or organizations of a third party, without the written approval of the other Party, special scientific and technological knowledge acquired in the course of the implementation of this Agreement.

ARTICLE V AMENDMENTS