MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA RELATING TO THE EVALUATION OF ALL NON-UPLB (UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES AT LOS BANOS) ACIAR - SUPPORTED PROJECT

1. GENERAL

- 1.1 This MEMORANDUM expresses the understandings of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of Australia concerning the responsibilities and contributions respectively of the two Governments with regard to the implementation of the ACIAR Project "Evaluation of all Non-UPLB (University of the Philippines at Los Banos) ACIAR-supported projects".A
- 1.2 The project is intended to support economists from the Department of Agriculture (DA) and the Philippines Council for Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources Research and Development (PCARRD) in research activities to evaluate the impact of collaborative projects between DA, PCARRD, SEARCA and other state universities and Australian scientists, funded by ACIAR over the period of two years. The project is further described in Attachment 1 of this Memorandum of Understanding.

2. DEFINITIONS

In This Memorandum:

"Australian institutions, firms and organizations" means Australian institutions, firms or organisations engaged in the project;

"Australian personnel" means Australian nationals or permanent residents or other persons who are nationals or permanent residents of the Philippines, who are working in the Philippines on the project and whose salaries or other costs are funded from the contribution of the Government of Australia to the project;

"dependant/dependent" means the spouse or unmarried minor children of a member of the Australian personnel or any other person recognised by the two Governments as dependant/dependent of a member of the Australian personnel;

"professional and technical material" means equipment, motor vehicles, and other goods imported by members of the Australian personnel or Australian institutions, firms and organisations for their professional use in carrying out their assigned duties under the project and paid for from funds provided by the Government of Australia;

"project supplies" means equipment, material and other goods supplied for the execution of the project, the cost of which is funded from the contribution of the Government of Australia to the project;

"services" means services performed by individuals or by general professional partnerships registered in the Philippines as detailed in Attachment 1;

"personal and household effects" means equipment, motor vehicles and other goods imported by Australian personnel or Australian institutions, firms and organisations for the personal use of Australian personnel and their dependents while engaged in the project;

3. COORDINATING AUTHORITIES AND IMPLEMENTING AGENCIES

- 3.1 Each Government will implement the research project through respective Coordinating authorities.
- 3.2 The Department of Foreign Affairs, hereinafter referred to as DFA, will be the Philippine Co-ordinating Authority. The Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research, hereinafter referred to as ACIAR, will be the Australian Co-ordinating Authority.
- 3.3 Under the terms of this Memorandum of Understanding, ACIAR nominates both the Department of Agriculture hereinafter referred to as DA, and the Philippines Council for Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources Research and Development hereinafter referred to as PCARRD to carry out the project on its behalf.

4. CONTRIBUTION

- 4.1 The contributions of the Government of Australia to DA as described in Attachment 1 are estimated to value seventy five thousand, nine hundred and sixtynine dollars (AUD\$75,969). The contributions of the Government of Australia to PCARRD as described in Attachment 1 are estimated to value nineteen thousand, four hundred and fifty dollars (AUD\$19,450). The financial contribution of the Government of Australia will be subject to the normal annual parliamentary approval of appropriations.
- 4.2 Further to the estimated contributions above, additional funds will be provided by the Government of the Republic of the Philippines for payment of taxes incurred through implementation of the project.

5. PERSONNEL

- 5.1 The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of Australia will provide personnel possessing the competence required for the project, including Australian and Philippine project leaders. The project leaders will have responsibility for effective implementation in their respective countries,
- 5.2 Personnel composition in DA and PCARRD are as described in Attachment 1.

6. IMPLEMENTATION, MONITORING AND REVIEW

- 6.1 Project implementation will follow the schedule specified in Attachment 1. The project leaders will provide a yearly progress report to ACIAR, copies of which will be forwarded to DFA.
- 6.2 The project leaders will establish regular consultations on project progress direction and schedules.