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**SUPPLEMENTARY AGREEMENT NO. 17 BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE
UNITED NATIONS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE BOARD**

Note: The Agreement entered into force, July 23, 1958.

Reference: This Agreement is also published in III DFA TS No. 2. p. 104.

The United Nations and the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (hereinafter called "the Government"), pursuant to the Revised Standard Agreement for Technical Assistance concluded at Manila on 27 October 1954 between the United Nations and other Organizations represented on the Technical Assistance Board and the Government {hereinafter called "the Revised Standard Agreement")

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

**ESTABLISHMENT, OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES OF THE STATISTICAL
CENTER IN THE PHILIPPINES**

1. The Government being desirous of establishing, with the assistance and cooperation of the United Nations, a Statistical Program with a view to contributing to the development and maintenance of a high level of efficiency in the statistical activities of the Philippines and, in particular, of the statistical services of Government agencies and institutions, the United Nations has agreed to provide assistance and cooperation subject to the availability of funds.

2. Subject to the stipulations specified herein a Statistical Center (hereinafter called "the Center") shall be established under the jurisdiction of the University of the Philippines (hereinafter called "the University") and will organize or carry out the following inter-related activities:

a) Instruction to include the following subject matters, in accordance with the priorities and work schedules approved by the Executive Committee of the Center (see Article III):

i) General statistical methodology, consideration being given to the prerequisite mathematical training;

ii) Sampling methods, design of experiments and surveys;

iii) Organization and coordination of the statistical services of governmental agencies and institutions; iv) Collection, tabulation and publication of the major classes of data required for purposes of the Government, including demographic statistics; national income statistics; statistics of prices, trade and finance; industrial, agricultural and labour statistics; statistics relating to education and other social and economic fields;

v) Organization and conduct of census operations; collection, tabulation and publication of the results; organization and conduct of statistical operations in administrative agencies; vi) Analysis and utilization of government statistics.

b) Demonstration and Services — Demonstrations to include the organization of model sections in the statistical services of governmental agencies or institutions, maintenance of adequate technical coordination between the services concerned, development of such records and operations as may be desirable for the purpose of demonstration and, research, and execution of pilot projects or special sampling surveys in Manila or in the provinces. Services to include technical advice given to government departments upon their request or to private parties by contract and the execution of any statistical work by arrangement or contract with government departments or contract with private parties.

c) Maintenance of appropriate library and laboratory facilities.

d) Arrangements to facilitate further statistical training for eligible persons at other institutions within the country, and to supplement training abroad.

ARTICLE II

COORDINATION BOARD

1. The Government shall establish a Coordination Board for the Center composed of the following members:

The Secretary of Foreign Affairs

The Secretary of Finance

The Secretary of Commerce and Industry

The Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources

The Secretary of Labor The Executive Secretary to the President of the Philippines

The Budget Commissioner The Chairman of the National Economic Council

The Governor of the Central Bank of the Philippines

The President of the University of the Philippines

The President of the Philippine Statistical Association

Each member of the Board may appoint an alternate having the same power to represent the corresponding agency or institution on the Coordination Board. The Board shall be authorized to modify its membership and to adopt additional members on a permanent basis or for specific periods of time, as may be required to make its work more effective.

2. The Coordination Board shall:

i) be responsible for the development of the in-service-training programme of the Center, within the interested governmental agencies and institutions;

ii) facilitate in any other way the activities of the Center; and give such support and advice to the Executive Committee (See Article III below) as may be appropriate to further the objectives of the Center.

ARTICLE III

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. The Executive Committee of the Center shall be composed of:

A Chairman to be designated by the President of the University of the Philippines

The Director of the Office of Statistical Coordination and Standards of the National Economic Council

The Director of the Bureau of Census and Statistics

The Director of Economic Research of the Central Bank of the Philippines

The Director of the Center

The UN Principal Statistical Adviser (see Article VI below), who shall also act as the rapporteur to the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall be authorized to invite to particular meetings especially qualified individuals as may be required to make its programme more effective.

2. The Executive Committee shall:

i) carry out on behalf of the University all decisions relating to the programme, activities and management of the Center;

ii) in regard to in-service-training, be responsible for drawing up programmes for presentation to the Coordination Board for that Board's approval and implementation;

iii) make necessary arrangements for the provision of such assistance, funds and other facilities as may be desirable for the carrying out of the activities of the Center consistent with the objectives mentioned in Article I paragraph 2 above.

ARTICLE IV

PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON STATISTICAL TRAINING

The Executive Committee shall invite the Philippine Statistical Association to appoint a Professional Committee on Statistical Training (hereinafter called "the Professional Committee"), composed of not less than five members, to act in a technical advisory capacity, providing the Executive Committee of the Center with current consultation, and reporting its recommendations to it.