MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE FOR NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND PHILIPPINE COUNCIL FOR AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND NATURAL RESOURCES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR IMPROVING AND STRENGTHENING THE PHILIPPINE AGRICULTURAL AND RESOURCES RESEARCH SYSTEM

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into and executed this 10th day of September, 1987, by and between:

The INTERNATIONAL SERVICE FOR NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, with its principal office in the Hague, Netherlands, represented in this Memorandum of Understanding by its Director General, Mr. Alexander von der Osten, and hereinafter referred to as ISNAR;

- and -

The PHILIPPINE COUNCIL FOR AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND NATURAL RESOURCES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT with its principal office at Los Baños Laguna, Philippines, represented in this Memorandum of Understanding by its Executive Director, Dr. Ramon V. Valmayor, and hereinafter referred to as PCARRD.

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WHEREAS, ISNAR, a non-profit international organization supported by the Consultative Group of International Research, is mandated to strengthen national agricultural research capabilities in developing countries, to help improve national agricultural research systems so that the can better plan, organize, carry out, and evaluate agricultural research using their own human, physical, and financial resources, through scientific and technical collaboration.

WHEREAS, PCARRD is charged with the responsibility of promoting a systematic approach in the planning, coordination, monitoring, and evaluation of research and development programs and related activities for agriculture and natural resources; establishing, managing and fully supporting the national network of research and development centers and station that implement various commodity research and development programs; and, establishing, a repository of research and development information in agriculture, and natural resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, ISNAR and PCARRD, inspired by their common objectives to promote and accelerate the progress in the management of research and development in agriculture, have reached a mutual understanding as set forth in the following paragraphs: