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**BASIC AGREEMENT ON ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL  
COOPERATION BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
AND THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA**

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Reference: This Agreement is also published in VIII DFA TS No. 1, p. 61.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES and the GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA, desirous of promoting and expanding economic and technical cooperation between Indonesia and the Philippines and with reference to the JOINT COMMUNIQUE of PRESIDENT MARCOS and PRESIDENT SOEHARTO on January 14th, 1968, to improve and strengthen the economic, social and cultural cooperation between two countries have agreed as follows:

**ARTICLE I**

The two Governments shall promote economic and technical cooperation between their two countries within the framework of their laws, regulations, policies and international commitments. This objective shall be pursued to the fullest extent that the physical, manpower and financial resources of both countries shall permit.

**ARTICLE II**

Both Governments shall explore the feasibility of and strive to promote the expansion of trade between the two countries; coordination and harmonization, by mutual agreement on a case-to-case basis, of their economic plans and policies; coordination and joint action on the production and marketing of specific commodities to be identified by mutual agreement; mutual assistance and cooperation on education and training; coordination of policies on transportation, communications, and other infrastructure facilities; the promotion of scientific and technical cooperation; the promotion of joint ventures; and other activities of mutual benefit to both countries. In addition, both governments shall explore the possibility of improving payments arrangements between the two countries.

**ARTICLE III**

The Contracting Parties agree to grant each other no less favourable treatment in trade, investments, and other economic activities between the two countries than that applying to any other country.

The provision of this Article shall not apply to:

- a. the preferences or advantages existing as of the date of this Agreement accorded by the Government of the Republic of the Philippines to any country or accorded by that Government in replacement of such existing preferences or advantages;
- b. the preferences or advantages existing as of the date of this Agreement accorded by the Government of the Republic of the