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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
ON COOPERATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the
Government of the United States of America (hereinafter
referred to as the "Parties");

Desiring to promote further the close and friendly
relations existing between them;

Considering their common interest in promoting scientific
research and technological development;

Recognizing the benefits to be derived from close
cooperation in these fields;

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

1. The purposes of this Agreement are to strengthen scientific and technological capabilities of the Parties, to broaden and expand relations between the scientific and technological communities in both countries, and to promote scientific and technological cooperation in areas of mutual benefit.

2. The principal objective of this cooperation is to provide opportunities to exchange ideas, information, skills, and techniques and to collaborate on scientific and technological endeavors of mutual interest, including information technology.

ARTICLE II

1. The Parties shall encourage cooperation through appropriate means including: exchange of scientific and technological information; exchange of scientific and technical experts; the convening of joint seminars and meetings; the conduct of joint research projects; and other such forms of scientific and technological cooperation as may be mutually agreed upon.

2. Cooperation under this Agreement shall be based on shared responsibilities and equitable contributions and benefits, commensurate with the Parties' respective scientific and technological strengths and resources.

ARTICLE III

1. The Parties shall encourage and facilitate, where appropriate, the development of direct contacts and cooperation between government agencies, universities, research centers, institutions, private firms and other entities of the two countries.

2. Government agencies and designated entities of the two Parties may conclude under this Agreement implementing arrangements in specific areas of science and technology. These implementing arrangements shall cover, as appropriate, topics of cooperation, procedures for transfer and use of equipment and funds, and other relevant issues. The conclusion of those implementing arrangements shall be in accordance with prevailing laws, regulations and procedures of both Parties.

ARTICLE IV

Cooperative activities under this Agreement shall be conducted in accordance with the applicable laws, regulations, and procedures in both countries and shall be subject to the availability of funds and personnel.

ARTICLE V

Scientists, technical experts, governmental agencies and institutions of third countries or international organizations may, in appropriate cases, be invited by agreement of both Parties to participate, at their own expense unless otherwise agreed, in projects and programs being carried out under this Agreement.

ARTICLE VI

Each Party shall designate an Executive Secretary to conduct administrative affairs and, as appropriate, to provide oversight and coordination of activities under this Agreement.