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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND ON HEALTHCARE COOPERATION

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, hereinafter referred to as the Contracting Parties;

DESIRING to enhance their bilateral relations in respect of healthcare policy;

RECOGNIZING the importance of exchanging knowledge and expertise between the Contracting Parties through cooperation on health care;

Further RECOGNIZING that professional staff recruited from the Philippines to the National Health Service (NHS) employment in the UK have an opportunity to enhance their skills and explore best practice.

HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE I

The Contracting Parties shall endeavor to cooperate in the development of the delivery of health care through the recruitment in the Philippines and employment of Filipino nurses and other healthcare professionals in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in accordance with their respective existing national laws and regulations. Under this Memorandum of Understanding, other healthcare professionals shall refer to physiotherapists, radiographers, occupational therapists, bio-medical scientists and other allied health professions that are presently regulated by appropriate professional bodies in both countries.

ARTICLE 2

For the purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding, the Implementing Agencies for the Republic of the Philippines shall be the Department of Labor and Employment and the Department of Health. For the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Implementing Agency shall be the Department of Health.

ARTICLE 3

The Contracting Parties shall undertake a recruitment project, hereinafter referred to as the "Project", between the respective implementing agencies.

The Project shall be carried out as follows:

 To continue the recruitment project with a view to sustainable recruitment and employment of nurses and other healthcare professionals from the Philippines;