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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

AND

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF SENEGAL**

IN THE FIELD OF TOURISM

PREAMBLE

The Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Senegal (hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Parties" and separately as a "Party");

ACKNOWLEDGING the ties of friendship uniting the two countries;

RECOGNISING that tourism is an important means of strengthening these ties;

CONSIDERING the importance of tourism as a factor of economic and social development in both countries;

DESIROUS to develop and strengthen the relations between the Parties by fruitful multifaceted cooperation based on the principles of sovereignty, equality and mutual benefit;

AWARE of the interest of promoting a better understanding of their historical and cultural heritage and of establishing tourism cooperation between the two countries;

HEREBY AGREE as follows:

ARTICLE 1

BILATERAL COOPERATION

The Parties shall, in a spirit of solidarity and friendship, pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding, encourage the development of bilateral cooperation in the field of tourism based on their mutual interests.

ARTICLE 2

LEGAL FRAMEWORK

The cooperation provided for under this Memorandum of Understanding shall be in accordance with the domestic law in force in the countries of the Parties and within the limits of their available budgets.

ARTICLE 3

EXCHANGE OF TOURISM INFORMATION

- (1) The Parties shall encourage the exchange of information, experience and expertise in the management of tourism projects and tourism development policy with particular emphasis on ecotourism and responsible tourism.
- (2) The Parties shall attach particular importance to the exchange of information and studies related to their respective experiences in—
 - (a) the management of tourism statistics;
 - (b) research in the field of tourism; and
 - (c) the development of tourism centres.

ARTICLE 4

JOINT EFFORTS TO PROMOTE TOURISM

- (1) The Parties shall combine their efforts in the African market and shall encourage mutual participation in festivals, fairs and other tourism events held in the two countries.
- (2) The Parties shall, in addition, unite their efforts to promote the “Robben-Gorée Islands”.

ARTICLE 5

PARTNERSHIPS AND INVESTMENTS

The Parties shall promote partnerships between their tour operators and encourage investments by private companies in the two countries.

ARTICLE 6

CAPACITY BUILDING

The Parties shall encourage cooperation between their institutions offering training in tourism, grading and classification system of tourism establishments, as well as hospitality and services and invite them to exchange students.

ARTICLE 7

AMENDMENTS

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by mutual consent of the Parties through an Exchange of Notes between the Parties through the diplomatic channel.

ARTICLE 8

SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any dispute between the Parties arising out of the interpretation or implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably through consultation or negotiations between the Parties.

ARTICLE 9

ENTRY INTO FORCE, DURATION AND TERMINATION

- (1) This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on the date of signature thereof.
- (2) This Memorandum of Understanding shall remain in force for a period of five (5) years, where after it may automatically be renewed for further periods of five (5) years at a time, unless terminated by either Party giving six (6) months' written notice in advance through the diplomatic channel to the other Party of its intention to terminate this Agreement.