MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON DEFENSE COOPERATION between THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES and THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA

The **DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES and THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA,** (hereinafter referred to as the "Participants");

DESIRING to further strengthen and develop bilateral relations by promoting and increasing defense cooperation between them;

ACKNOWLEDGING the mutual benefits to be derived from mutual cooperation in defense.

PURSUANT to the prevailing laws and regulations as well as policies of their respective countries;

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS (HAVE REACHED THE FOLLOWING UNDERSTANDING):

PARAGRAPH 1

OBJECTIVE

This MOU will provide a framework for cooperation between the Participants in the field of defense, on the basis of reciprocity and mutual benefit.

PARAGRAPH 2

AREAS OF COOPERATION

The Participants will cooperate in the following areas:

- a. Defense and Security Policy;
- b. Defense and Military Education, Training and Capacity Building;
- c. Peacekeeping Operations;
- d. Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief;
- e. Logistics and Maintenance;
- f. Armaments and Military Equipment;
- g. Defense Industry and Technology;
- h. Research and Technology; and
- i. Any other areas as may be mutually decided.

PARAGRAPH 3

FORMS OF COOPERATION

The Participants will cooperate through:

- a. Exchange of delegations and personnel;
- b. Exchange of personnel for on-the-job-training;
- c. Subject Matter Expert (SME) Exchange
- d. Exchange of information, documentation and materials;
- e. Participation in seminars, workshops, and other activities organized by the other Participant;
- f. Participation in defense and security activities such as Table Top Exercise (TTX) and combined training activities; and
- g. Other forms of cooperation as may be mutually decided.

PARAGRAPH 4

IMPLEMENTATION

- 1. To implement this MOU, the Participants will establish a Joint Committee composed of an equal number of representatives nominated from each Participant.
 - a. The Joint Committee will endeavor to meet every two (2) years, or as may be requested by a Participants, alternately in the Philippines and in Cambodia.
 - b. The Joint Committee will be responsible for:
 - i. Preparing plans, programs or activities of cooperation;
 - ii. Recommending new forms and areas of cooperation; and
 - iii. Other matters as may be mutually decided.
- 2. The implementation of plans, programs and activities as specified under this MOU will be subject to specific arrangements to be mutually decided upon in writing.

PARAGRAPH 5

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

- 1. Unless otherwise agreed upon, each Participant will be responsible for its own costs in the implementation of this MOU.
- 2. Financial arrangements to cover expenses for cooperative activities under this MOU will be mutually decided upon, on a case-to-case