MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA ON BASIC EDUCATION

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines, and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties".

REFERRING to the Treaty of Friendship between the Republic of the Philippines and the Republic of Indonesia, signed by the parties in Jakarta, Indonesia on 21 June 1951;

RECOGNIZING the importance of principles of sovereignty and equality of states, mutual benefit on basic education, training and research in the national development of each country;

DESIRING to enhance bilateral cooperation and mutual assistance in the provision of basic education and training in their respective countries;

BELIEVING that the cooperation would benefit the Parties;

PURSUANT to the prevailing laws and regulations in their respective countries as well as the procedures and policies on basic educational cooperation,

HAVE REACHED THE FOLLOWING UNDERSTANDING:

ARTICLE 1 OBJECTIVES

The objective of this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is to promote mutual cooperation in basic education and training on a reciprocal basis and to promote mutual cooperation for the advancement of knowledge and intellectual development.

ARTICLE 2 SCOPE OF COOPERATION

The present MoU, without detriment to the arrangements made directly between educational institutions and/or other similar entities of both countries in public or private sector, has scope of cooperation as follows:

- 1. to facilitate the exchange programs between educational agencies and training institutions of the Parties;
- 2. to support mutual assistance for technical and vocational programs in basic education;

- 3. to facilitate the exchange of teachers and educational staff between the Department of Education of the Republic of the Philippines and the Ministry of National Education of the Republic of Indonesia and to facilitate the exchange of students for the purpose of study and/or sister school program;
- 4. to facilitate the exchange of educational publications and periodicals;
- 5. to facilitate the exchange of educational literature, teaching aid, documentary and demonstration material as well as the organization of relevant specialized exhibitions, symposia and seminars.

ARTICLE 3 IMPLEMENTING AGENCIES

The Parties shall designate the following agencies to implement the MoU:

- 1. For the Government of the Republic of the Philippines is the Department of Education
- 2. For the Government of the Republic of Indonesia is the Ministry of National Education

ARTICLE 4 IMPLEMENTATION

The Parties shall implement the MoU through specific arrangements, programs or projects which will form an integral part of this MoU.

ARTICLE 5 FUNDING

The cost of the cooperative activities under this MoU shall be funded on terms to be mutually determined by the Parties and shall be subject to the availability of funds.

ARTICLE 6 PARTICIPATION OF OTHER INSTITUTIONS

If it is deemed necessary, the Parties may invite other government and non-government institutions to implement this MoU in accordance with the prevailing laws and regulations in their respective countries.