

**November 11, 2003**

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF TOURISM**

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan, hereinafter referred to as the Parties, desiring to strengthen the friendly relations and mutual understanding between the two countries, for the development of tourism on the basis of equality and mutual benefit, have agreed as follows:

**ARTICLE 1**

The Parties shall create favourable conditions for the development of long-term cooperation in the field of tourism on the basis of equality and mutual benefit of the states of the Parties.

**ARTICLE 2**

The Parties shall, in accordance with the legislations of their states, encourage the application of simple frontier and customs procedures for citizens of the states of the Parties travelling between the two countries for tourism purposes.

**ARTICLE 3**

The Parties shall encourage investments in the tourism industry, including investments in activities of private enterprises, in accordance with the national laws of the states of the Parties.

**ARTICLE 4**

The Parties, in accordance with national laws of their states, shall encourage the realization of coordination of tourism activities between the authorized organs of the states of the Parties by exchanging information, expertise, and experience regarding management of tourism resources, effectual legislation on tourism activities, and measures for preservation as well as sustainable development of both natural and cultural resources.

**ARTICLE 5**

The Parties shall exchange, in accordance with the national laws, curriculum and research in the field of tourism, and encourage the exchange of experiences regarding the organization and management of the tourism business, and provide assistance to each other in training their-staffs in the field of tourism, based on a separate agreement between the authorized organs of the Parties.

**ARTICLE 6**

The authorized organs for the implementation of the present Agreement are:

from the Philippine side - the Department of Tourism of the Republic of the Philippines.