

**April 17, 1967**

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PHILIPPINES AND THE UNITED  
NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL  
ORGANIZATION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ASIAN  
REGIONAL CENTRE FOR THE TRAINING OF TEACHER EDUCATORS**

**UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL  
ORGANIZATION**

Establishment of an Asian Regional Centre for the Training of Teacher Educators

Agreement signed at Manila 17 April and 22 May 1967

Entered into force 22 May 1967.

WHEREAS on 28 March 1962, an agreement was signed between the two parties for the establishment in Quezon City of an Asian Regional Centre for the training of Teacher Educators,

WHEREAS two letters of agreement dated 24 July 1963 and 23 April 1965 from the Director-General of UNESCO and signed by the Government provide for the renewal of the above agreement for the period 1963-1964 and 1965-1966 respectively, and for the designation of the Centre as the "Asian Institute for the Training of Teacher Educators",

WHEREAS the two above-mentioned letters signified the intention that the agreement would be further modified in such a way as to give the Institute a greater measure of autonomy, and

WHEREAS the General Conference of UNESCO, at its fourteenth session authorized the Director-General to develop within a regional framework, institutions and related activities for supporting national programs for training teachers and supervisors and to provide grants-in-aid and/or other services therefor,

WHEREAS there is included in the Technical Assistance Component of the United Nations Development Programme for 1967-1968 assistance for the Institute,

Whereas UNESCO and the Government wish to state the obligations which UNESCO proposes to undertake in extending assistance and the reciprocal obligations of the Government in accepting such assistance, the parties hereby agree as follows:

**ARTICLE I**

**ESTABLISHMENT, PURPOSE AND FUNCTIONS**

1. The Institute, established by the Government in 1962, shall in future be known as the Asian Institute for Teacher Educators, hereinafter referred to as "the Institute".
2. The purpose of the Institute shall be to provide a forum and focal point for those responsible for teacher education in Asia, in order to enable the following categories of personnel to meet and exchange experiences, discuss programmes, develop common standards and draw up plans for the development and upgrading of teacher education in Asia:

- a. heads of teacher-training programmes in Ministries of Education;
  - b. principals of teacher-training institutions; and
  - c. those responsible for the organization of in-service teacher training.
3. With this purpose in view, the main functions of the Institute shall be:
- a. to provide short courses for the personnel referred to above;
  - b. to undertake and promote studies and research on priority problems in teacher education, with particular reference to the techniques of teacher training and teaching methods;
  - c. to organize periodically high-level symposia to review the substantive aspects of the Institute's training and/or research programmes and assist in the coordination of programmes in this field;
  - d. to promote the development and to service, through exchange of information and advice, a network of national teacher-education centres, as well as a scheme of associated teacher-training colleges, teacher-training institutions and services.

## **ARTICLE II**

### **STRUCTURE**

1. The Institute shall consist of a Steering Committee, Director and Staff, and Student Body.
2. Steering Committee
  - a. A Steering Committee shall supervise the preparation and execution of the Institute's programme. It shall consist of:
    - i. The President of the University of the Philippines, or his representative (Chairman);
    - ii. The Director-General of UNESCO, or his representative (Member);
    - iii. The Director of the Institute as non-voting member;
    - iv. A representative of the Department of Education of the Government as non-voting member.
  - b. The Steering Committee shall meet twice a year in Quezon City and shall be convened at other times for special meetings at the request of either the Chairman of the Committee or the Director-General of UNESCO or their representatives.
3. Director and Staff
  - a. The staff of the Institute shall consist of a full-time Director and a full-time Deputy Director, together with such additional staff, professional, clerical and other, as the parties shall be required to furnish under Articles IV and V below.

b. The Director and Deputy-Director of the Institute shall be appointed by the Government with the prior concurrence of the Director-General of UNESCO, on such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon. Their promotion, separation or transfer, and that of all professional staff of the Institute, shall be a matter for consultation between the two parties.

c. The Director of the Institute shall perform the following functions:

i. serve as ex-officio Secretary of the Steering Committee, and attend the meetings of the Committee before which he shall place any problems requiring the Committee's decision, in particular the programme and budget of the Institute;

ii. exercise full authority for the proper functioning of the Institute under the supervision of the Steering Committee;

iii. devote his full time to the Institute and carry out both teaching and research work;

iv. submit, not later than 30 June each year, a statement of accounts for the preceding year showing how the sums paid by UNESCO and the Government were spent, it being understood that any part of the UNESCO contribution unspent or uncommitted as at 31 December for each biennium shall revert to UNESCO;

v. submit periodic progress reports to the Steering Committee.

d. The international staff of the Institute shall be appointed by the Director-General of UNESCO after consultation with the Director of the Institute and the Chairman of the Steering Committee,

e. National staff shall be appointed by the Director of the Institute according to the procedures established by the Steering Committee. Their names shall be communicated to UNESCO for information.

f. With the concurrence of the Steering Committee, Member States may second at their cost qualified teacher educators to the staff of the Institute on such terms as may be agreed upon between the Institute and the Member State concerned.

g. The staff under (d), (e) and (f) above shall work under the direction of the Director of the Institute.

#### 4. Student Body

Trainees shall be selected and fellowships awarded by the Director of the Institute, in accordance with the selection criteria fixed by the Steering Committee and UNESCO fellowship financial conditions.

### **ARTICLE III**

#### **FINANCIAL RESOURCES**

The financial resources of the Institute may consist of: