

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA RELATING TO THE NUCLEOTIDE
SEQUENCE DETERMINATION OF CADANG-CADANG-LIKE
VIROIDS IN THE PACIFIC AREA**

1. GENERAL

1.1 This MEMORANDUM expresses the understandings of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of Australia concerning the responsibilities and contributions respectively of the two Governments with regard to the implementation of the ACIAR Project No. 9221 "Nucleotide Sequence of Determination of Cadang-Cadang-Like Viroids in the Pacific Area".

1.2 The project aims to determine the nucleotide sequences of selected CCCVD-related viroids and to supply specific probes for each for future screening and surveys in collaboration with countries of the South Pacific region and the Philippines. The project is further described in Attachment 1 of this Memorandum of Understanding.

2. DEFINITIONS

In This Memorandum:

"Australian institutions, firms and organisations" means Australian institutions, firms or organisations engaged in the project;

"Australian personnel" means Australian nationals or permanent residents or other persons who are not nationals or permanent residents of the Philippines, who are working in the Philippines on the project and whose salaries or other costs are funded from the contribution of the Government of Australia to the project;

"dependant/dependent" means the spouse or unmarried minor children of a member of the Australian personnel or any other person recognised by the two Governments as a dependant/dependent of a member of the Australian personnel;

"professional and technical material" means equipment, motor vehicles, and other goods imported by members of the Australian personnel or Australian institutions, firms and organisations for their professional use in carrying out their assigned duties under the project and paid for from funds provided by the Government of Australia;

"project supplies" means equipment, material and other goods supplied for the execution of the project, the cost of which is funded from the contribution of the Government of Australia to the project;

"services" means services performed by individuals or by general professional partnerships registered in the Philippines as detailed in Attachment 1; and

"personal and household effects" means equipment, motor vehicles and other goods imported by Australian personnel or Australian institutions, firms and organisations for the personal use of

3. COORDINATING AUTHORITIES AND IMPLEMENTING AGENCIES

3.1 Each Government will implement the research project through respective Co-ordinating authorities.

3.2 The Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research, hereinafter referred to as ACIAR, will be the Australian Co-ordinating Authority. The Department of Foreign Affairs, hereinafter referred to as the DFA, will be the Philippine Co-ordinating Authority.

3.3 Under the terms of this Memorandum of Understanding, ACIAR nominates the University of Adelaide, hereinafter referred to as UA, to carry out the project on its behalf, and the DFA nominates the Philippine Coconut Authority, hereinafter referred to as PCA, to carry out the project on its behalf, as described and detailed in Attachment 1.

4. CONTRIBUTIONS

4.1 The contributions of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines are estimated to value Australian Dollars Fifty Six Thousand One Hundred and Eighty Two Dollars (AUS 56,182). No money will be sent to the Republic of the Philippines by the Government of Australia, contributions will be spent in Australia. The budget is contained in Attachment I. The financial contribution of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines will be subject to its annual Congressional appropriations. The financial contribution of the Government of Australia will be subject to the normal annual parliamentary approval of appropriations.

4.2 Further to the estimated contributions above, additional funds will be provided by the Government of the Republic of the Philippines for payment of taxes incurred through implementation of the project.

5. PERSONNEL

5.1 The Government of the Philippines and the Government of Australia will provide personnel possessing the competence required for the project, including Australian and Philippine project leaders. The project leaders will have responsibility for effective implementation in their respective countries.

5.2 Personnel composition in UA and PCA are as described in Attachment 1.

6. IMPLEMENTATION, MONITORING AND REVIEW