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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
SOUTH AFRICA**

AND

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
UGANDA**

ON

**COOPERATION ON ISSUES RELATED TO
PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE
DEVELOPMENT**

PREAMBLE

The Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Uganda (hereinafter jointly referred to as the “Parties” and separately as a “Party”);

COMMITTED to contribute to, establish and develop a diversified relationship in the field of public works and infrastructure development, in the spirit of solidarity and friendship, contributing to NEPAD objectives and the development of the African continent at large;

AWARE of the importance of infrastructure for the social and economic development of both countries; and

ACKNOWLEDGING the mutual advantages that may result from this Memorandum of Understanding;

HEREBY AGREE as follows:

ARTICLE 1

DEFINITIONS

In this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as this “MoU”), unless the context otherwise indicates-

“Competent Authority” means the competent authorities specified in Article 3;

“cooperation” means actions and activities undertaken by both Parties in pursuance of the objectives of this Memorandum of Understanding;

“public works” includes all built environment activities and undertakings affecting policy, infrastructure development (implementation and maintenance) and the environment where the activities take place.

ARTICLE 2

SCOPE OF COOPERATION

The Parties shall explore the possibilities of cooperation on the basis of equality and mutual benefit to promote, develop and increase cooperation in the field of public works, built environment, regulatory environment, infrastructure development and maintenance within their respective jurisdictions.

ARTICLE 3

COMPETENT AUTHORITIES

The Competent Authorities responsible for the implementation of this MoU shall be-

- (a) in the case of the Government of the Republic of South Africa , the Department of Public Works; and
- (b) in the case of the Government of the Republic of Uganda, the Ministry of Works and Transport.

ARTICLE 4

AREAS OF COOPERATION

The areas of cooperation under this MoU shall include, but not be limited to-

- (a) institutional capacity building in areas such as legislation and policy development, planning, civil works, manufacture of building materials, quality assurance, monitoring and evaluation and regulation of construction industry;
- (b) exchange programmes between professional councils and/or boards in continuous professional and skills development in the area of built environment professionals (artisans, architects, engineers, quantity surveyors, project managers, property managers and valuers);
- (c) creation of employment through application of appropriate technologies such as labour-based construction technology;
- (d) improved production and supply of construction material and equipment such as environmentally friendly bricks;
- (e) research and development and sharing of construction and maintenance technologies and expertise;
- (f) encourage cooperation and partnership between the public and private sectors in the construction industry for the purpose of infrastructure development and maintenance; and
- (g) sharing knowledge and experience in alternative ways of financing infrastructure development and maintenance.