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PREAMBLE

The Government of the United States of America (hereinafter, the U.S. side) and the Government of Mongolia (hereinafter, the Mongolian side),

Intending to increase the awareness of students throughout the world about the global environment,

Seeking to contribute to increased scientific understanding of the Earth, and

Desiring to support improved student achievement in science and mathematics,

Have agreed to cooperate in the Global Learning and Observations to Benefit the Environment (GLOBE) Program as follows:

ARTICLE 1 - THE GLOBE PROGRAM

The GLOBE Program is an international environmental science and education program that will bring students, teachers, and scientists together to study the global environment. GLOBE will create an international network of students in grades K-12 (or equivalent) studying environmental issues, making environmental measures, and sharing useful environmental data with the international environmental science community.

ARTICLE 2 - RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

A. The U.S. side will:

- 1. Designate the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration acting on behalf of itself and the other U.S. Government agencies participating in the GLOBE Program, as the designated authority for the purpose of implementing this memorandum;
- 2. Identify U.S. schools that will participate in the GLOBE Program (details regarding GLOBE schools in Appendix A);

- 3. Select, in consultation with international scientists and educators, the GLOBE measurements and types of measurement equipment (described in Appendix B);
- 4. Select Principal Investigator Teams for the GLOBE environmental measurements, and support the U.S. members of the Team;
- 5. Calibrate, if necessary, measurement equipment that cannot be calibrated by GLOBE teachers and students;
- 6. Develop, in consultation with international scientists and educators, GLOBE educational materials;
- 7. Translate GLOBE instructional materials related to measurement procedures and data reporting protocols into the six United Nations languages, and provide these plus all broader GLOBE materials to the Mongolian side for further reproduction as necessary;
- Conduct annual regional training sessions for GLOBE Country Coordinators and GLOBE teachers who will serve as trainers for additional GLOBE teachers in Mongolia, and provide a copy of GLOBE training materials to the Mongolian side;
- 9. Design, develop, operate and maintain GLOBE data processing capabilities and other necessary technology and equipment;
- Provide GLOBE software, as necessary, for use on Mongolian GLOBE school computers. (To the maximum extent possible, textual material appearing on computer screens will be available in the student's choice among the six United Nations languages.);
- 11. Accept environmental data reported from GLOBE schools around the world, and develop and provide resultant global environmental images (visualization products) to the Mongolian side; and
- 12. Evaluate the overall GLOBE Program periodically, in consultation with international GLOBE Country Coordinators, and modify the overall program, as appropriate.
- B. The Mongolian side will:
 - 1. Designate the Ministry of Science, Technology, Education, and Culture as the designated authority for the purpose of implementing this memorandum;
 - 2. Select Mongolian schools to participate in the GLOBE Program (details regarding GLOBE schools in Appendix A) and provide an updated list

of Mongolian GLOBE schools to the U.S. side at the beginning of each school year;

- 3. Ensure that Mongolian GLOBE schools conduct the fundamental activities of GLOBE schools detailed in Appendix A (take GLOBE environmental measurements, report data, and receive and use resultant global environmental images, using GLOBE educational materials under the guidance of teachers trained to conduct the GLOBE Program);
- 4. Name Mongolian Government Point of Contact responsible for policylevel communications with the Director of the GLOBE Program;
- 5. Name a Country Coordinator responsible for day-to-day management, oversight, and facilitation of the GLOBE Program in Mongolia;
- 6. Ensure that the Country Coordinator and some GLOBE teachers attend GLOBE regional training and in turn provide GLOBE training to at least one teacher in each Mongolian GLOBE school;
- 7. Ensure that GLOBE instructional materials related to measurement procedures and data reporting protocols are utilized in Mongolian GLOBE schools; and that broader GLOBE educational materials are area appropriately translated, adapted, reproduced, and distributed to all Mongolian GLOBE schools;
- Ensure that Mongolian GLOBE schools have the necessary measurement equipment to take GLOBE environmental measurements (described in Appendix B);
- Ensure that teachers and students in Mongolian GLOBE schools calibrate GLOBE measurement equipment according to procedures provided in GLOBE instructional materials;
- 10. Ensure that Mongolian GLOBE schools have the necessary computer communications systems (described in Appendix C) to report GLOBE environmental measurements and to receive and use GLOBE visualization products, to make agreed alternative arrangements for such reporting and receipt. (At a minimum, the Mongolian Country Coordinator will need access to Internet so that all measurement data from Mongolian GLOBE schools will be reported via Internet.); and
- Evaluate GLOBE operations in Mongolia periodically and assist the U.S. side in conducting periodic evaluation of the overall GLOBE Program.

ARTICLE 3 - FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Each side will bear the costs of fulfilling its respective responsibilities under this agreement. Obligations of each side pursuant to this agreement are subject to its respective funding procedures and the availability of appropriated funds, personnel, and other resources. The conduct of activities under this agreement will be consistent with the relevant laws and regulations of the two sides.

ARTICLE 4 - EXCHANGE OF DATA AND GOODS

GLOBE environmental measurement data, visualization products, software and educational materials will be available worldwide without restrictions as to their use or redistribution.

ARTICLE 5 - RELEASE OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE GLOBE PROGRAM

Each side may release information about the GLOBE Program as it may deem appropriate without prior consultation with the other.

ARTICLE 6 - CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

Each side will, to the extent permitted by its laws and regulations, facilitate the movement of persons and goods necessary to implement this agreement into and out of its territory and accord entry to such goods into its territory free of customs duties and other similar charges.

ARTICLE 7 - ENTRY INTO FORCE, AMENDMENTS, WITHDRAWAL

This agreement will enter into force upon signature of the two sides and will remain in force for five years, It will be automatically extended for further fiveyear periods, unless either side decides to terminate it and so notifies the other side with three months written notice. This agreement may be terminated at any time by either side with three months prior written notice to the other side, This agreement may be amended by written agreement of the two sides.

Done at Ulaanbaatar in duplicate on May 6, 1997 in the English language.

For the Government of the United States of America	For the Government of Mongolia
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