



Sarawak Infectious Disease Centre



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
FOR ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH COOPERATION
BETWEEN
INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF VETERINARY PARASITOLOGY,
THE INDIAN SOCIETY FOR PARASITOLOGY,
INDONESIAN PARASITIC DISEASES CONTROL ASSOCIATION,
THE INDOONESIAN ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL SPECIALIST IN CLINICAL
PARASITOLOGY,
MALAYSIAN SOCIETY OF PARASITOLOGY AND TROPICAL MEDICINE,
SARAWAK INFECTIOUS DISEASE CENTRE,
THE PHILIPPINE SOCIETY OF PARASITOLOGY, INC.,
THE KOREAN SOCIETY OF PARASITOLOGY AND TROPICAL MEDICINE,
TAIWAN SOCIETY OF PARASITOLOGY,
PARASITOLOGY AND TROPICAL MEDICINE ASSOCIATION OF THAILAND,
AND
VIETNAM SOCIETY FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES.**

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING is made this 19th day of SEPTEMBER
....., 2024.

BETWEEN

The **INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF VETERINARY PARASITOLOGY**, a society established under the laws of India and having an address at Department of Veterinary Parasitology, Madras Veterinary College, Chennai, Tamil Nadu 600007, India (hereinafter referred to as "IAAVP") of the other part;

and

THE INDIAN SOCIETY FOR PARASITOLOGY, a society established under the laws of India and having an address at Biotech Park, Sector G, Janakipuram, Kursi Road, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, India (hereinafter referred to as "ISP") of the other part;

and

The **INDONESIAN PARASITIC DISEASES CONTROL ASSOCIATION**, a society established under the laws of Indonesia and having an address at Jl. Percetakan Negara No. 29 RT.23/RW.7, Johar Baru, Jakarta Pusat, DKI Jakarta 10560, Indonesia (hereinafter referred to as "**IPDCA**") of the other part;

and

THE INDONESIAN ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL SPECIALIST IN CLINICAL PARASITOLOGY, a society established under the laws of Indonesia and having an address at Jl. Salemba Raya no.6, Jakarta 10430, Indonesia (hereinafter referred to as "**IAMCP**") of the other part;

and

The **MALAYSIAN SOCIETY OF PARASITOLOGY AND TROPICAL MEDICINE**, a society established under the laws of Malaysia and having an address at No. 21-5-2, Block E, Diamond Square, Jalan 3/50, Off Jalan Gombak, 53000 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (hereinafter referred to as "**MSPTM**") of the one part;

and

The **SARAWAK INFECTIOUS DISEASE CENTRE**, a government-linked company under the SRDC that functions to enhance Sarawak's research capability in infectious diseases, biomedical sciences and pandemic readiness and having an address at Lot 229, Section 63, KTLD, Jalan Datuk Abang Abdul Rahim, 93450 Kuching, Sarawak (hereinafter referred to as "**SIDC**") of the other part;

and

THE PHILIPPINE SOCIETY OF PARASITOLOGY, INC., a society established under the laws of Philippines and having an address at Department of Parasitology, College of Public Health, University of the Philippines Manila, 625 Pedro Gil Street, Ermita, P.O. Box EA-460, 1000 Metro Manila, Philippines (hereinafter referred to as "**PSP**") of the other part;

and

THE KOREAN SOCIETY FOR PARASITOLOGY AND TROPICAL MEDICINE, a society established under the laws of the Republic of Korea and having an address at The Korean Society for Parasitology and Tropical Medicine, Department of Medical Zoology, Kyung Hee University School of Medicine, 02447, Seoul, Republic of Korea (hereinafter referred to as "**KSP**") of the other part;

and

The **TAIWAN SOCIETY OF PARASITOLOGY**, a society established under the laws of Taiwan and having an address at Department of Molecular Parasitology and Tropical Diseases,

School of Medicine, College of Medicine, Taipei Medical University, No. 250, Wu-Xing Street, Xing-Yi District, 11031 Taipei, Taiwan (hereinafter referred to as "TSP") of the other part;

and

The **PARASITOLOGY AND TROPICAL MEDICINE ASSOCIATION OF THAILAND**, a society established under the laws of Thailand and having an address at Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Mahidol University, 420/6 Ratchawithi Road, Thung Phaya Thai, Ratchathewi District, Bangkok 10400, Thailand (hereinafter referred to as "PTAT") of the other part;

and

The **VIETNAM SOCIETY FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES**, a society established under the laws of Vietnam and having an address at 9 Floor, National Hospital for Tropical Disease, Bau Hamlet, Kim Chung Commune, Dong Anh District, Hanoi, VIETNAM (hereinafter referred to as "VSID") of the other part.

IAAVP, ISP, IPDCA, IAMCP, MSPTM, SIDC, PSP, KSP, TSP, PTAT and VSID shall hereinafter be referred to singularly as the "**Party**" and jointly as "**Parties**".

WHEREAS:

- A. **IAAVP is INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF VETERINARY PARASITOLOGY.**
- B. **ISP is THE INDIAN SOCIETY FOR PARASITOLOGY.**
- C. **IPDCA is INDONESIA PARASITIC DISEASES CONTROL ASSOCIATION.**
- D. **IAMCP is THE INDONESIA ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL SPECIALIST IN CLINICAL PARASITOLOGY.**
- E. **MSPTM is MALAYSIAN SOCIETY OF PARASITOLOGY AND TROPICAL MEDICINE.**
- F. **SIDC is SARAWAK INFECTIOUS DISEASE CENTRE.**
- G. **PSP is THE PHILIPPINE SOCIETY OF PARASITOLOGY, INC.**
- H. **KSP is THE KOREAN SOCIETY FOR PARASITOLOGY AND TROPICAL MEDICINE**
- I. **TSP is TAIWAN SOCIETY OF PARASITOLOGY.**
- J. **PTAT is PARASITOLOGY AND TROPICAL MEDICINE ASSOCIATION OF THAILAND.**
- K. **VSID is VIETNAM SOCIETY FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES.**

The Parties are desirous of entering into this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "**MoU**") to declare their respective intentions, to improve understanding between their respective societies and to establish a basis of mutually beneficial cooperation and

collaboration benefiting their members upon the terms contained herein.

HAVE REACHED AN UNDERSTANDING as follows:

1. SCOPE AND FIELDS OF ACADEMIC COOPERATIONS

- 1.1. The Parties hereby agree to implement, within the framework of the rules and regulations applicable in each of their societies and subject to availability of funds and resources, the following programs and activities, which may include, but are not limited to: -
 - (a) creating a joint member database that will be accessible to all Parties;
 - (b) offering increased value-add to their membership;
 - (c) establishing a platform for matching areas of expertise and research interests;
 - (d) improving communication between leadership, members, and partners;
 - (e) organizing key networking events;
 - (f) providing a platform for capacity building and training for students and researchers through exchange programs and special joint projects;
 - (g) preparing joint proposals and conducting research in areas of mutual interest;
 - (g) sharing experiences and research results, exchanging publications, reports and other academic materials and information; and
 - (h) sharing other activities and programs in areas of mutual interest, where such sharing shall result in benefit to all Parties.
- 1.2. For the purpose of implementing co-operation in respect of any areas stated in Clause 1.1, this MoU shall be superseded by a legally binding agreement subject to terms and conditions as mutually agreed upon by the Parties including clauses on "confidentiality", "suspension", "protection of intellectual property rights" and "settlement of dispute" as contained in **Annexure A** of this MoU. PROVIDED ALWAYS that the decision whether to initiate and/or implement any program or activity shall be at the sole discretion of each Party.
- 1.3. The Parties agree to designate a coordinator on behalf of each society, whose responsibility will be to supervise the execution of this MoU and to draw up a program or activity to be implemented under this MoU, setting out specific provisions concerning the exchange programs, budget requirements and details of funding. For this purpose, the coordinator for:

- (a) IAAVP is Prof. Dr. A. Sangaran;
- (b) ISP is Prof. Sukhbir Kaur;
- (c) IPDCA is Dr. dr. Rita Kusriastuti;
- (d) IAMCP is Prof. dr. Agnes Kurniawan;
- (e) MSPTM is Assoc. Prof. Dr Lucas Low Van Lun;
- (f) SIDC is Assoc Prof. Dr. Ivan Yap Kok Seng;
- (g) PSP is Prof. Dr. Vachel Gay V. Paller;
- (h) KSP is Prof. Hyun-Hee Kong;
- (i) TSP is Prof. Dr. Chia-Kwung Fan and
- (j) PTAT is Assoc. Prof. Dr. Waranya Wongwit.
- (k) VSID is Dr. Pham Ngoc Thach

2. JOINT RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION

- 2.1. The Parties may carry out joint research, subject to terms and conditions agreed upon by the Parties, in related fields for their mutual benefit and to enhance their reputation in academia.
- 2.2. The Parties agree to share teaching resources, such as images to aid in the diagnosis of various diseases, lab procedures and background knowledge. This sharing platform will be promoted by each institute among their staff to increase engagement with the program.

3. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

- 3.1. This MoU shall not give rise to any financial obligation by one Party to the other.
- 3.2. The Parties acknowledge that, in the absence of any specific agreement in writing to the contrary, each Party will be responsible for its own costs and expenses in establishing and conducting programs and activities contemplated under this MoU, including, without limitation, its own costs and expenses in travel and accommodation.

4. EFFECT OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This MoU serves only as a record of the Parties' intentions and does not constitute or create and is not intended to constitute or create obligations under domestic or international law and shall not give rise to any legal process and shall not be deemed to

constitute or create any legally binding or enforceable obligations, whether expressly or implicitly.

5. NO AGENCY

Nothing contained herein is to be construed so as to constitute a joint venture partnership or formal business organisation of any kind between the Parties or so to constitute either Party as the agent of the other.

6. ENTRY INTO EFFECT, DURATION, TERMINATION AND EXTENSION

- 6.1. This MoU shall take effect on and from the date of execution of this MoU and shall continue to be effective for a period of **five (5) years** and may be extended for such further period as may be agreed upon by the Parties in writing.
- 6.2. Notwithstanding Clause 6.1 above, this MoU may be terminated by either Party giving written notice to the other Party at least **six (6) months** prior to the proposed date of termination.
- 6.3. Notwithstanding Clause 6.2 above, any ongoing programs or activities shall be carried out according to the terms that have been agreed upon under this MoU or such other agreements until their satisfactory completion, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing by the Parties.

7. IMPLEMENTATION

The implementation of this MoU is subject to sufficient funding being procured as appropriate by each Party.

8. NOTICE

- 8.1. Every notice, request or any other communication required or permitted to be given pursuant to this MoU shall be in writing, in the English language and delivered by registered mail to the address or sent to the electronic mail address or facsimile number of **IAAVP, ISP, IPDCA, IAMCP, PSP, MSPTM, SIDC, KSP, TSP, PTAT and VSID** as the case may be, shown below or to such other address or electronic mail address or facsimile number as either Party may have notified the sender and shall, unless otherwise provided herein, be deemed to be duly given or made when delivered to the recipient at such address or electronic mail address or facsimile number which is duly acknowledged :

- (a) If to IAAVP: Indian Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology
Department of Veterinary Parasitology,
Madras Veterinary College, Chennai,
Tamil Nadu 600007,
INDIA
Attention: Prof. Dr A. Sangaran

Email: sangaranvet@gmail.com

- (b) If to ISP: The Indian Society for Parasitology
Biotech Park, Sector G,
Janakipuram, Kursi Road,
Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh,
INDIA
Attention: Prof. Sukhbir Kaur
Email: info@parasitologyindia.org,
sukhbir@pu@ac
- (c) If to IPDCA: Indonesia Parasitic Diseases Control Association
Jl. Percetakan Negara No.29,
RT.23/RW.7, Johar Baru
Jakarta Pusat, DKI
Jakarta 10560,
INDONESIA
Attention: Dr. dr. Rita Kusriastuti
Email: ritakus@yahoo.com
- (d) If to IAMCP: The Indonesian Association of Medical Specialist in
Clinical Parasitology (PDSPARKI)
Jl. Salemba Raya no.6
Jakarta 10430
INDONESIA
Attention: Prof. dr. Agnes Kurniawan
Email: pdsparki@gmail.com
- (e) If to MSPTM: Malaysian Society of Parasitology and Tropical Medicine
c/o 21-5-2 Block E, Diamond Square,
Jalan 3/50, Off Jalan Gombak,
53000 Kuala Lumpur
MALAYSIA
Attention: Honorary Secretary
Email: secretarymsptm@gmail.com
- (f) If to SIDC: Sarawak Infectious Disease Centre
Lot 229, Section 63, KTLD,
Jalan Datuk Abang Abdul Rahim,
93450 Kuching, Sarawak,
MALAYSIA
Attention: Dr Ivan Yap Kok Seng
Email: ivanyap.sidc@gmail.com
- (g) If to PSP: The Philippine Society of Parasitology, Inc.
Department of Parasitology, College of Public Health,
University of the Philippines Manila,
625 Pedro Gil Street, Ermita,

P.O. Box EA-460, 1000 Metro Manila,
PHILIPPINES
Attention: Prof. Dr. Vachel Gay V. Paller
Email: vvpaller@up.edu.ph

- (h) If to KSP: The Korean Society for Parasitology and Tropical
Medicine,
Department of Medical Zoology, Kyung Hee University
School of Medicine, Seoul, 02447,
REPUBLIC OF KOREA
Attention: Prof. Hyun-Hee Kong
Email: paramail.kor@gmail.com
- (i) If to TSP: Taiwan Society of Parasitology
Department of Molecular Parasitology and Tropical
Diseases, School of Medicine,
College of Medicine,
Taipei Medical University,
No. 250, Wu-Xing Street, Xing-Yi District,
11031 Taipei,
TAIWAN
Attention: Prof. Chia-Kwung Fan
Email: tedfan@tmu.edu.tw
- (j) If to PTAT: Parasitology and Tropical Medicine Association of Thailand
Faculty of Tropical Medicine,
Mahidol University,
420/6 Ratchawithi Road, Thung Phaya Thai,
Ratchathewi District,
Bangkok 10400,
THAILAND
Attention: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Waranya Wongwit
Email: waranya.won@mahidol.ac.th
- (k) If to VSID: Vietnam Society for Infectious Diseases
9 Floor, National Hospital for Tropical Disease,
Bau Hamlet, Kim Chung Commune,
Dong Anh District, Hanoi,
VIETNAM
Attention: Dr. Pham Ngoc Thach
Email: giangminh08@gmail.com

9. MISCELLANEOUS

- 9.1. The terms stipulated in this MoU may be modified, varied or amended at any time after due consultation and with the written agreement of all Parties and such modifications, variations and amendments shall be made in writing and signed by the Parties hereto.


9.2. The Parties acknowledge that all visits or exchanges of staff, students or administrators will be subject to compliance with the entry and visa regulations of Malaysia, Vietnam, Thailand, Indonesia and Philippines as well as with the respective Party's requirements concerning the researcher's or student's visit.

The foregoing record represents the understandings reached between **IAAVP, ISP, IPDCA, IAMCP, MSPTM, SIDC, PSP, KSP, TSP, PTAT** and **VSID** upon the matters referred to therein.

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have caused this MoU to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

Signed by
For and on behalf of the
**INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF VETERINARY
PARASITOLOGY.**

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Name: Prof. Dr A. Sangaran
Designation: President


Date: 19/9/2024

In the presence of:

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Name: ~~Dr Gajanan Chiguro~~ Dr Biswa R Maharana
Designation: ~~Joint Secretary~~ Executive Member


Signed by
For and on behalf of the
THE INDIAN SOCIETY FOR PARASITOLOGY



Name: Prof. Sukhbir Kaur
Designation: President

Date: 19.09.2024


In the presence of:



Name: Dr. L. D. Singla
Designation: Executive Committee
Member

19.09.2024.


Signed by
For and on behalf of the
**INDONESIAN PARASITIC DISEASES
CONTROL ASSOCIATION**

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Name: Dr. dr Rita Kusriatstuti, Msc
Designation: President

Date: 19/09/2024

In the presence of:

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Name: Prof. dr. Agnes Kurniawan, PhD
Designation: Advisor

Signed by
For and on behalf of the
**THE INDONESIAN ASSOCIATION
OF MEDICAL SPECIALIST IN
CLINICAL PARASITOLOGY**

In the presence of:



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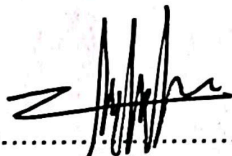
Name: Prof. dr. Agnes Kurniawan, PhD
Designation: President

Name: Dr. dr. Rita Kusriastuti, Msc
Designation: Advisor

Date: 19/9/2024

Signed by
For and on behalf of the
**MALAYSIAN SOCIETY OF
PARASITOLOGY AND
TROPICAL MEDICINE**

In the presence of:



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Name: Assoc. Prof. Dr Lucas Low Van Lun
Designation: President

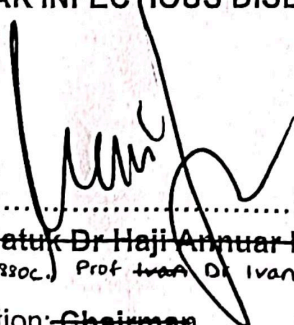


Name: Adela Ida Anak Jiram
Designation: Vice President

Date: 19/9/24

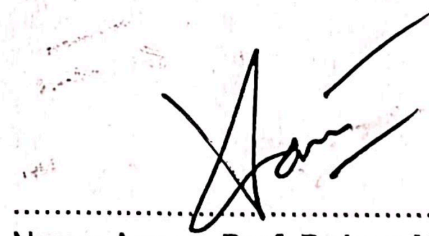
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For and on behalf of the
SARAWAK INFECTIOUS DISEASE CENTRE

In the presence of:



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Name: ~~Datuk Dr Haji Annuar Bin Rapa'ee~~
~~Assoc. Prof. Ivan Dr Ivan Yap Kok Seng~~
Designation: ~~Chairman~~
Chief Executive Officer




Name: ~~Assoc. Prof. Dr Ivan Yap Kok Seng~~
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Designation: ~~Chief Executive Officer~~
Research Officer

Date: 19/9/2024

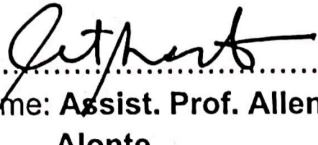
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For and on behalf of
**THE PHILIPPINE SOCIETY
OF PARASITOLOGY, INC.**

In the presence of:

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Name: Prof Dr. Vachel Gay V. Paller

Designation: President

Date: 19.09.2024

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Name: Assist. Prof. Allen Jethro I.
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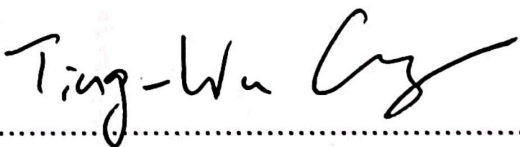
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Signed by
For and on behalf of the
TAIWAN SOCIETY OF PARASITOLOGY

In the presence of:


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Name: Prof. Chia-Kwung Fan
Designation: President

Date: 19.09.2024

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Name: Prof. Ting-Wu Chuang
Designation: Secretary-General

Signed by
For and on behalf of the
**THE KOREAN SOCIETY FOR
PARASITOLOGY AND TROPICAL
MEDICINE**

In the presence of:

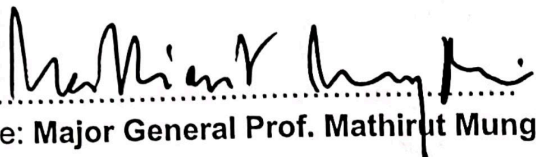
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Name: Prof Hyun-Hee Kong
Designation: President

Date: 19. 9. 2024

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Name: Prof. Jong-Yil Chai
Designation: Past President


Signed by
For and on behalf of the
**PARASITOLOGY AND TROPICAL
MEDICINE ASSOCIATION OF THAILAND**

In the presence of:

X  X
Name: Major General Prof. Mathirut Mungthin

Designation: President

Date: 19.09.2024


Name: Assoc. Prof. Dr Waranya
Wongwit

Designation: Vice President

Signed by
For and on behalf of the
**VIETNAM SOCIETY FOR INFECTIOUS
DISEASES**

In the presence of:

X X
Name: Dr. Pham Ngoc Thach
Designation: President

Date:

X X
Name: Dr. Tran Van Giang
Designation: Secretariat

ANNEXURE A

A. PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

1. The protection of intellectual property rights shall be enforced in conformity with the respective national laws, rules and regulations of the Parties and with other international agreements signed by the Parties.
2. The use of the name, logo and/or official emblem of any of the Parties in any publication, document and/or paper is prohibited without the prior written approval of either Party.
3. Notwithstanding anything in paragraph 1 above, the intellectual property rights in respect of any technological development, and any products and services development, carried out: –
 - (i) jointly by the Parties or research results obtained through the joint activity effort of the Parties, shall be jointly owned by the Parties in accordance with the terms to be mutually agreed upon; and
 - (ii) solely and separately by the Party or the research results obtained through the sole and separate effort of the Party, shall be solely owned by the Party concerned.

B. CONFIDENTIALITY

1. Each Party shall undertake to observe the confidentiality and secrecy of documents, information and other data received from or supplied to, the other Party during the period of the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding or any other agreements made pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding.
2. For purposes of paragraph 1 above, such documents, information and data include any document, information and data which is disclosed by a Party (the Disclosing Party) to the other Party (the Receiving Party) prior to, or after, the execution of this Memorandum of Understanding, involving technical, business, marketing, policy, know-how, planning, project management and other documents, information, data and/or solutions in any form, including but not limited to any document, information or data which is designated in writing to be confidential or by its nature intended to be for the knowledge of the Receiving Party or if orally given, is given in the circumstances of confidence.
3. The Parties agree that the provisions of this Article shall continue to be binding between the Parties notwithstanding the termination of this Memorandum of Understanding.

C. SUSPENSION

Each Party reserves the right for reasons of national security, national interest, public order or public health to suspend temporarily, either in whole or in part, the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding which suspension shall take effect immediately after notification has been given to the other Party through diplomatic channels.

D. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any difference or dispute between the Parties concerning the interpretation and/or implementation and/or application of any of the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably through mutual consultation and/or negotiations between the Parties through diplomatic channels, without reference to any third party or international tribunal.