

AGREEMENT
ON CULTURAL COOPERATION
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LEBANON

The Government of the Republic of Korea and the Government of the Republic of Lebanon (hereinafter referred to as "the Contracting Parties");

Desiring to strengthen the mutual ties of friendship and understanding existing between the two countries and to further promote and develop their relations in the fields of culture, the arts, education, tourism, youth development and sports; and

Guided by the principle of mutual respect for each other's national sovereignty and independence;

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The Contracting Parties shall, subject to the laws and regulations of the respective two countries, promote and facilitate the cultural and intellectual exchanges between their two countries so as to ensure the better understanding of their respective culture and the arts through:

- a) organizing exchange programmes for their musical and theatrical groups, performing artists and musicians, as well as actors and film makers;
- b) encouraging and organizing concerts, tours of performers and lecture tours on culture and the arts in each other's country;
- c) holding exhibitions on culture and the arts in each other's country;
- d) encouraging the translation and publication of outstanding works of literature and art of each other's country;
- e) facilitating the exchange of views and information concerning antiquities, natural history and the arts;

- f) promoting the establishment and management of cultural institutions of the other country;
- g) encouraging and organizing the exchange of books, periodicals, journals and newspapers; and
- h) encouraging cooperation in the field of cultural industry, including cooperation with respect to movies, dramas and animations.

ARTICLE 2

The Contracting Parties shall pursue programmes of exchange and cooperation in the field of education through:

- a) exchange of visits, study and lecture tours of university professors, lecturers, technicians, teachers, experts and researchers;
- b) providing scholarships to students and graduates to study in each other's institutions of higher learning as well as other specialized institutions;
- c) encouraging self-sponsored students to study in each other's country; and
- d) cooperation in the field of special education.

ARTICLE 3

The Contracting Parties shall encourage cooperation between their respective countries in the field of tourism through:

- a) exchange of tourism related officials, students, scientific researchers, associations and public and accredited private tourism institutions;
- b) capacity building of public and private tourism institutions with regard to training tourism officers;
- c) assistance in product development to meet international standards;
- d) joint marketing and promotion campaigns for both domestic and international tourism; and

- e) exchange of information on environmental conservation issues in relation to sustainable tourism development.

ARTICLE 4

The Contracting Parties shall encourage cooperation between the two countries in the area of youth development through the exchange of visits, camping and educational tours for the youth and children of both countries, with a view to providing opportunities for an exchange of ideas and the development of an understanding of the culture of the other country.

ARTICLE 5

The Contracting Parties shall promote cooperation in the field of sports and encourage contacts between their sports authorities, not only in the interest of the development of sports in general but also with the special aim of arranging friendly sports competitions between the relevant sports authorities and organizations in their countries, through:

- a) exchange of information in sports education; and
- b) exchange of ideas in the area of sports management.

ARTICLE 6

The representatives of the Contracting Parties shall observe the laws and regulations of the host country when participating in programmes and projects organized under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 7

The Contracting Parties or their relevant authorities, shall endeavor to negotiate and conclude implementing protocols or arrangements on a two or three year basis. Such negotiations shall be carried out within the framework of this Agreement and shall take place alternately in the capitals of the two countries.

ARTICLE 8

Any disputes arising from the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be settled through mutual consultations between the Contracting Parties.

ARTICLE 9

Each Contracting Party shall endeavor, within its national territory and in accordance with its domestic laws and regulations and the international agreements to which it is a party, to protect the copyright of the works of the other country.

ARTICLE 10

The Agreement may be amended with the mutual written consent of the Contracting Parties through diplomatic channels.

ARTICLE 11

The Contracting Parties shall notify each other in writing through diplomatic channels when their respective internal legal requirements necessary for the entry into force of this Agreement have been fulfilled. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the later of such notifications.

ARTICLE 12

This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of five (5) years and shall be automatically renewed for the successive periods of five (5) years, unless either Contracting Party notifies the other Contracting Party in writing through diplomatic channels of its intention to terminate the Agreement six (6) months prior to the expiry date of that relevant period.

ARTICLE 13

Notwithstanding the expiration or termination of this Agreement, its provisions shall continue to govern any unexpired and existing obligations or projects commenced hereunder before the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective governments, have signed this Agreement.

Done in duplicate at _____, on _____, in the Korean, Arabic and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In the case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF LEBANON