

法規名稱：AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN) AND THE GOVERNMENT OF SOLOMON ISLANDS ON THE DISPATCH OF VOLUNTEERS

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The Government of the Republic of China (Taiwan) (hereinafter referred to as "Taiwan") and the Government of Solomon Islands (hereinafter referred to as "Solomon Islands") in view of strengthening the cordial relations between the two countries in the economic, social, educational and cultural fields, have agreed to the following:

Article 1

1. Taiwan agrees to dispatch volunteers to Solomon Islands to provide services in accordance with the articles of this Agreement.
2. Taiwan volunteers shall, in the performance of assigned duties, be under the supervision of the Embassy of the Republic of China (Taiwan) in Solomon Islands and the competent government agencies of Solomon Islands or the agency that requests the volunteer service.

Article 2

Taiwan shall notify Solomon Islands of the individual designated as coordinator of the volunteers. This coordinator shall assign duties to the volunteers in accordance with the volunteer programs after consultation and coordination with the Embassy of the Republic of China (Taiwan) in Solomon Islands and the competent government agencies of Solomon Islands.

Article 3

1. Taiwan shall provide the volunteers and coordinator with the following:
 - a) Return trip air tickets between Taiwan and Solomon Islands;
 - b) Monthly living allowances during the period of duty in

Solomon Islands;

- c) Medical necessities for personal use;
- d) Coverage of necessary local medical care expenses.

2. Taiwan shall provide international medical insurance for the volunteers and the coordinator. Solomon Islands promises to provide necessary local medical or transport assistance and conveniences to the volunteers and the coordinator upon request by Taiwan.

Article 4

Solomon Islands shall provide the volunteers and the coordinator with the following conveniences and assistance:

- a) Exemption from customs duties, taxes and other charges on goods imported or locally acquired in Solomon Islands from bonded stock for official use and not for sale;
- b) Exemption from customs duties, taxes and other charges on their personal articles or household appliances imported into Solomon Islands within six months of their first entry, except for warehouse expenses, freight charges and other service charges;
- c) Exemption from income tax and other taxes on any wages or income relating to their assigned duties received in Solomon Islands and/or from foreign sources during the period of performances of their duties;
- d) Free lodging provided by the agency that requests the volunteer service;
- e) Coverage by the agency that requests the volunteer service of the transportation and expenses for work-related trips made by the volunteers and coordinator;
- f) Issuance of identification cards or work permits;
- g) Exemption from fees for consular services, entry or exit, and immigration deposits; and
- h) Temporary exemption from customs duties, taxes and any other charges on one vehicle (limited to one) for the personal use

of coordinator.

Article 5

Volunteers and coordinator who introduce any goods into Solomon Islands in accordance with Article 4 of this Agreement shall provide a list of such goods to Solomon Islands for processing the exemption from customs duties, taxes and other charges.

Article 6

All article or goods imported into Solomon Islands in accordance with this Agreement and for which exemptions of customs duties, taxes and other charges have been granted shall be re-exported to Taiwan, unless:

- a) They are sold within Solomon Islands with payment of customs duties, taxes and other charges;
- b) They are donated to Solomon Islands with its approval;
- c) They are of no commercial value or not suitable for re-export

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Article 7

On the transfer of the coordinator's personal vehicle to another coordinator, Solomon Islands agrees to temporarily exempt that vehicle from customs duties, taxes and other charges.

Article 8

Solomon Islands shall take all necessary measures to ensure the safety of the volunteers and the coordinator at their place of residence and at work.

Article 9

Solomon Islands agrees to provide the same status and conveniences to the volunteers and the coordinator as those provided to other international volunteers, as well as to consult and confirm the duties with the volunteers and the coordinator based on the work program.

Article 10

Solomon Islands shall be responsible for any claims relating to any action or omission by the volunteers and the coordinator in the course of performing their assigned duties, except that such claims arise from gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the volunteers and the coordinator.

Article 11

Solomon Islands agrees to grant adequate immunity to the volunteers and coordinator as those accorded to the volunteers of any third nation and international organizations serving in Solomon Islands for their behavior in the course of performing their assigned duties.

Article 12

The volunteers and coordinator shall comply with all the laws and customs of Solomon Islands and shall not undertake any professional or lucrative activities outside of the performance of their assigned duties during the period of their stay in Solomon Islands.

Article 13

The agency of Solomon Islands that requests the volunteer service shall consult with the volunteers and coordinator whenever necessary to ensure the effective execution of the work program.

Article 14

Either Government may request consultation with the other whenever necessary to ensure the successful implementation of this Agreement.

Article 15

This Agreement shall enter into force when Solomon Islands

notifies Taiwan of the completion of its domestic legal process and shall remain effective unless either Government terminates it by a ninety-day prior written notice to the other through the diplomatic channels.

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

Done in duplicate in the Chinese and English languages, both texts being equally authentic, in Honiara on the thirty-first day of the first month of the ninety-sixth year of the Republic of China (Taiwan), corresponding to the thirty-first day of the first month of the year two thousand and seven of the Gregorian calendar.

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