

**法規名稱：**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU AND THE AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE INFORMATION AND COOPREATION

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The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu (hereafter referred to as Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu) and the Agency for International Trade Information and Cooperation (AITIC) ;

Recognising the importance of trade as an engine of growth and development and its potential for contributing to the reduction of poverty ;

Noting the importance of trade-related capacity building and technical cooperation for strengthening the participation of resource-constrained countries and customs territories in the multilateral trading system ;

Further recognising the difficulties faced by certain countries and customs territories in effectively participating in trade-related activities and multilateral trade negotiations particularly when they face financial, human-resource and other constraints ;

In view of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu and AITIC's common objectives in the area of assistance to the trade negotiating capacity of the developing countries and economies in transition, particularly the least-developed countries and those without permanent representation in Geneva ;

Further noting that synergies could be attained in the domain of trade-related technical assistance and capacity building given that several of AITIC's Members are also the recipients of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu's thchnical cooperation programmes ;

Considering the value of strengthening the collaboration between

Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu and AITIC in assisting target countries to participate more actively in the trade-related intergovernmental (and other) Geneva-based institutions, Agree to the following Memorandum of Understanding which will establish a partnership to develop a Professional Training Programme during the FY 2007.

#### 1. General Objectives

The Professional Training Programme's objective is to offer representatives from less-advantaged countries (LACs) and independent customs territories the opportunity to receive professional training, improve their knowledge of both the functioning and the subject matter of the Geneva-based trade-related institutions and participate in the regular activities of the international trade community in Geneva. The Programme is targeted towards mid-level or senior officials from LACs facing particular budgetary or other constraints that preclude their participation in the activities work programmes and negotiations of the Geneva-based trade-related institutions.

In keeping with the purpose of the Programme, it is anticipated that Professional Trainees will participate in trade-related activities at Geneva-based institutions. These activities may include attending meetings of the various WTO bodies and participation in the negotiations, Activities may also include interaction with other trade-related international organizations (e.g., ITC, UNCTAD) or intergovernmental institutions that have a close relationship with trade (e.g., UNEP, WIPO, WHO).

It is expected that the Professional Trainees would also contribute to AITIC's programmes and activities. They would also be able to network and interact with officials and members of the intergovernmental organizations. At the conclusion of their tenure at AITIC, the Professional Trainees would return to their respective national administration to continue their contribution to trade policy-making, equipped

with an enhanced understanding of international trade.

## 2.Modalities for Implementation

- i.Implementation of the Professional Training Programme would begin in April 2007.
- ii.The duration of the Professional Training will be from six to eight months.
- iii.The Programme will support four Professional Trainees. One of the Professional Trainees will be from Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu.

## 3.Process of Selection

The four Professional Trainees will be selected from among those countries/ customs territories targeted by Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu and which are also Participating Members of AITIC.

The Terms of Reference of the Professional Trainees will be drafted by AITIC and endorsed by Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu.

Following AITIC's Recruitment Policy, the selection of Professional Trainees will be by way of competition.

## 4.Operational Provision

Trainees from the Programme will be based in Geneva on AITIC premises.

The budget of the Professional Training Programme will be funded by contributions from Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu, according to the schedule of contributions set forth in Annex I to this Memorandum of Understanding. Any unspent sums at the end of the implementation period, i.e. 31st December 2007, will be used to finance ad hoc collaborative activities between AITIC and the Taiwan International Cooperation and Development Fund. These projects will be selected jointly by both of the above-mentioned agencies and will reflect their priorities.

The accounts of the Professional Training Programme will be

audited by the State Audit Office of Finland, AITIC's external auditors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized for this purpose, have signed this Memorandum of Understanding.  
Done at Geneva in two copies in the English language.  
Done in Geneva, on 26 February 2007.

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Trade Information and

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Cooperation

Kinmen and Matsu

to the World Trade Organization

#### Annex I

Schedule of Contributions Pledged by  
Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu  
for its Agreed Contribution to the  
Budget of the  
Professional Training Programme

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Date

Pledged Contribution

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Prior to 28 February 2007

USD 100,000

Prior to 31 March 2007

USD 100,000