

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE KOREAN AGENCY FOR TECHNOLOGY AND STANDARDS
AND
THE MAIN STATE SERVICE <<TURKMENSTANDARTLARY>>
ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF STANDARDIZATION,
CERTIFICATION AND METROLOGY

The Korean Agency for Technology and Standards (KATS) of the Republic of Korea and the Main State Service – Turkmenstandartlary (MSST) (hereinafter referred to as “the Sides”),

Being guided by aspiration to eliminate technical barriers to trade and to strengthen the economic relations between the Republic of Korea and the Turkmenistan,

Being guided by aspiration to promote mutual interests through cooperation in the areas of standardization, certification and metrology on the basis of mutual benefit, and

Recognizing that such cooperation will promote economic cooperation, facilitate trade and support the friendly relations between the two countries.

Have reached the following understanding;

Article 1

1. The Sides will support in the areas of standardization, certification and metrology on the basis of equality and mutual benefit, in accordance with the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding (further the Memorandum) and the respective laws and respective regulations of the two countries.

2. To facilitate the implementation of this Memorandum, the Sides may jointly decide to sign additional annexes.

Article 2

Cooperation under this Memorandum may include:

- a) visits and exchanges of experts in the field of standardization, certification and metrology;
- b) exchange of technical data and information relating to standardization, certification and metrology;
- c) cooperation within the framework of international and regional organizations relating to standardization, certification and metrology for mutual benefit;
- d) organization of and participation in conferences, symposia, courses, workshops, exhibitions and other joint meetings in areas of mutual interest;
- e) operation of joint training/education programs to raise competency in standardization, certification and metrology; and
- f) any other forms of cooperation that may be jointly decided upon by the Sides.

Article 3

The expenses incurred in connection with the cooperative activities under this Memorandum will be borne as jointly decided upon by the Sides. Such activities will be carried out subject to the availability of appropriate funds and personnel of the respective countries.

Article 4

1. No information derived from cooperative activities under this Memorandum will be unilaterally disclosed by one Side for commercial or industrial purposes without the written consent of the other Side.

2. Scientific or technical information exchanged by the Sides in the course of cooperation under this Memorandum may only be provided to a third party with the mutual written consent of the Sides.

Article 5

The provisions of this Memorandum do not restrict the rights and commitments of the Sides under other international agreements to which their countries are party.

Article 6

Any issues arising from the interpretation or implementation of this Memorandum will be settled through consultations between the Sides.

Article 7

This Memorandum will remain in effect if a new organization succeeds one of the Sides and assumes the same responsibilities as the signatory. Any such change will be promptly notified to the other Side through the diplomatic channels.

Article 8

This Memorandum may be amended with the mutual written consent of the Sides.

Article 9

This Memorandum will come into effect upon signature by both Sides.

This Memorandum will remain in effect for five years from the date of signature and will be automatically extended for successive five year periods unless otherwise amended or terminated.

This Memorandum may be terminated at any time by either Side by giving at least six months' prior notice to the other Side.

The termination of this Memorandum will not affect the validity or duration of cooperative activities or projects under this Memorandum that were initiated prior to such termination.

Signed in Ashkhabad, on the 20th June 2014, in duplicate, in the Korean, Turkmen and English languages, all texts being equally valid. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text will prevail.

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