MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

THE KOREAN AGENCY FOR TECHNOLOGY AND STANDARDS OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

AND

THE SUDANESE STANDARDS AND METROLOGY ORGANIZATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF SUDAN FOR

COOPERATION RELATING TO STANDARDIZATION, CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT AND LEGAL METROLOGY

1. PREAMBLE

The Korean Agency for Technology and Standards (KATS) of the Republic of Korea and the Sudanese Standards and Metrology Organization (SSMO) of the Republic of the Sudan, hereinafter referred to as "the Sides";

DESIRING to promote mutual interests through cooperation in the fields of standardization-and conformity assessment on the basis of equality and mutual benefit; and

RECOGNIZING that such cooperation will promote economic cooperation and support the friendly relationship between the two countries;

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Paragraph 1

The Sides will support cooperation in the fields of standardization and conformity assessment on the basis of equality and mutual benefit, in accordance with the provisions of this MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) and the laws and regulations in their respective countries.

Paragraph 2

The cooperation may include the following:

- a) Exchange of technical data, information and experience relating to standardization and conformity assessment;
- b) Cooperative programs and projects of mutual benefit including long-term or short-term visits-and exchange of scientists and other experts in the fields of standardization and conformity assessment. Mutual dispatch of experts of long-term or short-term, if necessary;
- c) Organization of and participation in conferences, symposia, workshops, exhibitions and other joint meetings relating to standardization, conformity assessment and legal metrology;
- d) Mutual cooperation in projects and activities conducted under international and regional organizations relating to standardization, conformity assessment and legal metrology;
- e) Operation of joint training/education programs to raise competency in standardization, conformity assessment and legal metrology; and
- f) Other forms of co-operation as agreed by the Sides, including meetings between the two Sides.

Paragraph 3

Cooperative activities under this MOU will be subject to the availability of funds and personnel. The terms of financing will be agreed upon in writing by the Sides before the commencement of activities.

Paragraph 4

The Sides will provide an opportunity to exchange information on mutual interests. The Sides will consult with each other before any information derived from cooperation activities under this MOU is disclosed for commercial or industrial purposes.

Paragraph 5

Any issues arising from the interpretation or implementation of this MOU will be settled through consultations between the Sides or such other means as they may mutually decide.

Paragraph 6

- 1. This MOU will enter into force upon signature by both Sides.
- 2. This MOU will remain in force for a period of five (5) years and continue in force thereafter in successive periods of five (5) years. At any time, either Party may notify the other Party in writing, ninety (90) days in advance, of its intention to terminate this MOU.
- 3. The provisions of this MOU may be amended and supplemented by an agreement of the Sides in writing.
- 4. The termination of this MOU will not affect the validity or duration of projects under this MOU that are initiated prior to such termination.

Done at Seoul, this 29 th day of April, 2004, in duplicate in the English language.

FOR THE KOREAN AGENCY FOR TECHNOLOGY AND STANDARDS

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