M

AGREEMENT OF STATISTICAL COOPERATION



BETWEEN

THE STATISTICAL INFORMATION INSTITUTE FOR CONSULTING AND ANALYSIS OF JAPAN

AND THE NATIONAL STATISTICAL OFFICE OF MONGOLIA

Dr. Masatou Kodama, President of the Statistical Information Institute for Consulting and Analysis of Japan (herein after referred to as SINFONICA) and Mr. Mendsaikhan Sonomtseren, Chairman of the National Statistical Office of Mongolia (herein after referred to as NSO) met in Tokyo on the 2nd of June, 2009 to discuss main issues on promotion of statistical cooperation between NSO and SINFONICA and agreed as follows:

I.

NSO and SINFONICA enter into an agreement of cooperation to establish a program of cooperation in areas of official statistics as an infrastructure of social and economic development of the two countries.

The purposes of the cooperation between NSO and SINFONICA are as follows:

- to promote interest in official statistical activities of the respective Agencies;
- to enhance and facilitate mutual understanding, friendship and prosperity of
 Mongolia and Japan, and eventually the world peace and welfare, and
- to strengthen statistical staff capacity.

II.

To achieve these goals, NSO and SINFONICA agreed to implement a 3-year statistical cooperation program as an extension of the three-year statistical program of cooperation between NSO and SINFONICA, which was successfully completed in 2008. Within this program, NSO and SINFONICA will, insofar as the means of each allow:

- (a) exchange two-three person statistical missions between the two agencies every year;
- (b) organize a three-day statistical seminar in Ulaanbaatar for statisticians of central and local offices of NSO and explore to expand such a training to be held in local areas in order to increase participation of local statisticians;
- (c) exchange information pertaining to developments in areas of official statistics including statistical surveys and research;
- (d) strive to expand cooperation, and explore every opportunity to expand activities through the implementation of official projects such as JICA's.

III.

Unless otherwise stated, human resources and in-kind resources shall be borne by the appropriate Agencies where the activity takes place.

Monetary resources including those needed for the lecturers of Items II(a) and II (b) shall be borne by SINFONICA.

IV.

Duration: the present Agreement shall be in force from the date of signature to the end of 2011, which can be extended automatically for another 3-year period, if neither of the Agencies objects, or it will be reorganized when an official cooperation project such as JICA's starts between the two countries.

V.

Each Agency shall designate a coordinator to oversee and facilitate the implementation of the present Agreement.

THE NATIONAL STATISTICAL OFFICE OF MONGOLIA and THE STATISTICAL INFORMATION INSTITUTE FOR CONSULTING AND ANALYSIS OF JAPAN executed the present Agreement as of the dates indicated below. In case there is any divergence of interpretation of this Agreement, the English text shall prevail.

For the National Statistical Office of Mongolia

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Name: Mendsaikhan Sonomtseren

Title: Chairman
Place: Tokyo, Japan
Date: 2 June 2009

For the Statistical Information Institute for Consulting and Analysis of Japan

Signature: 门王 正 任

Name: Masatou Kodama

Title: President
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