

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA  
AND  
THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA  
ON  
COOPERATION IN THE TOURISM SECTOR**

The Government of the Republic of Indonesia and the Government of Australia hereinafter referred to as "the Parties".

**Desiring** to further strengthen the friendly and cooperative relations between the two countries through tourism based on the principles of equality and mutual benefit.

**Recognizing** the importance of the tourism sector to the economic, social and cultural development of both countries.

**Seeking** to realize the benefits of wider regional and multilateral cooperation, involvement in the work of international organizations, and support progress on tourism and travel issues within the General Agreement on Trade in Services of the World Trade Organization (GATS-WTO) and the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum; and

**Wishing** to continue taking practical steps to achieve a better understanding of each other's approaches to tourism policy formulation and tourism administration with a view to promoting a strong working relationship between the Parties national tourism ministries.

Have reached the following understanding.

**1. Areas of Cooperation**

In accordance with the prevailing laws and regulations in each country, cooperation in the tourism sector may be undertaken in the following areas:

- a) Research and Development
- b) Human Resource Development
- c) Promotion
- d) Investment
- e) Private Sector Cooperation, and
- f) Other areas as may be mutually considered appropriate.

The details of cooperation which may be undertaken in such areas will be set out in specific arrangements between the Parties or between tourism or tourism related agencies which, by mutual consent of the implementing authorities for this Memorandum of Understanding and for the specific arrangement, may be added as Annexes forming an integral part of this Memorandum of Understanding. The arrangements contained in such Annexes may, where appropriate, specify different implementing authorities.

## **2. Aims of Cooperation**

The aims of cooperation under this Memorandum of Understanding are :

- (a) to facilitate the development of tourism relations between both countries;
- (b) to increase tourist arrivals to both countries;
- (c) to facilitate a wider distribution of visitors to the various destinations and attractions in each country;
- (d) to encourage visits of both nationals and residents to each country;
- (e) to encourage the growth of the tourism and travel related industries in both countries;
- (f) to pursue common activities relating to the tourism industry and its potential in both countries. The Parties mutually recognize that such activities, among others, should.
  - (1) facilitate the efforts for viable tourism development in both countries;
  - (2) work towards resolving impediments to tourism in and between the two countries, subject to each party's relevant national laws, and;
  - (3) carry out bilateral seminars, symposiums, and/or workshops.
- (g) to examine opportunities for technical cooperation between the Parties in the field of tourism.
- (h) to share information and consult on tourism-related objectives and their implementation in international organizations; and
- (i) to facilitate and foster cooperation between the tourism private sectors in both countries.

## **3. Implementation**

The Government of the Republic of Indonesia hereby nominates the Department of Culture and Tourism and the Government of Australia hereby nominates the Department of Industry, Science and Resources as the implementing authorities for this Memorandum of Understanding. The Parties may nominate other implementing authorities by mutual consent from time to time.

#### 4. Consultation

The Parties will endeavor to address any matters concerning the interpretation or implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding through prompt and friendly consultations and negotiations.

#### 5. Amendment

This Memorandum of Understanding may be added to or amended by the mutual consent of the Parties.

#### 6. . Applicability of the Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding does not override specific bilateral agreements and other arrangements relating to the tourism sector concluded between the two countries or between tourism or tourism-related agencies, which are both separate and independent.

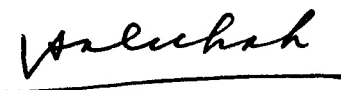
#### 7. Commencement, Duration and Termination

This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on the date on which it is signed by the Parties. It will be valid for a period of five years and will be automatically renewed for a successive two year period, unless either of the Parties expresses its desire to terminate it, giving the other party three months written notice of such intention.

The termination of this Memorandum of Understanding will not affect the implementation of the programs and projects that may have been formulized during its existence, unless the Parties decide otherwise.

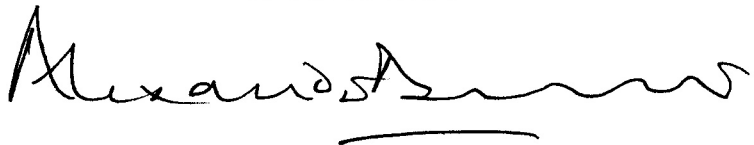
Signed at Canberra in duplicate, on the twenty sixth day of June 2001 in English language.

**FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE  
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