

**MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF SPORTS
BETWEEN
THE JAPAN SPORTS AGENCY
AND
THE MINISTRY OF SPORTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA**

The Japan Sports Agency and the Ministry of Sports of the Republic of Colombia (hereinafter referred to collectively as “the Participants” and individually as a “Participant”),

DESIRING to strengthen friendship and cooperation between both countries in the field of sports; and

BEING AWARE that the exchange of information and expertise will benefit the development of sports in both countries,

Have decided as follows:

**Item I
Objective**

This Memorandum of Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as “this MoC”) will provide a framework to facilitate and promote cooperation between the Participants, through the development of joint sports programs and other activities, on the basis of reciprocity and mutual benefit.

**Item II
Areas of Cooperation**

In order to achieve the objective mentioned in Item I, the Participants will mutually support to carry out cooperative activities in the following areas:

- (a) Training of athletes, teams and sports delegations;
- (b) Training and technical assistance for coaches;
- (c) Sports science;
- (d) Sports infrastructure;
- (e) Academic exchange programs;
- (f) Fighting against doping;
- (g) Sports for people with disabilities;
- (h) Sports administration;
- (i) Hosting and organizing international sporting events or competitions;
- (j) School sports and recreation; and
- (k) Other areas that the Participants consider necessary within this MoC.

Item III
Forms of Cooperation and Implementation

The cooperation under this MoC will include, without limitation, the following matters:

- (a) Promoting cooperation between non-governmental institutions, organizations and persons in their respective countries in the fields covered by this MoC;
- (b) Encouraging cooperation between sports institutions in both countries, in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations of the respective countries.
- (c) The Participants will encourage the cooperation through exchange of experts, exchange of sport leaders and participation in joint projects.

In addition, for successful realization of cooperation under this MoC, the Participants may prepare an executive plan and follow up the progress through the documents developed and approved by the Participants upon request of each Participant.

Item IV
Financial Matters

The financial matters to cover expenses for the cooperative activities under this MoC will be mutually discussed by the Participants on a case-by-case basis subject to the availability of funds and personnel.

Item V
Status of this MoC

The cooperation under this MoC will not affect any rights and obligations of the Participants.

Item VI
Settlement of Disputes

Any dispute between the Participants arising out of the interpretation or implementation of this MoC will be settled by mutual consultation or negotiation between the Participants.

Item VII
Modification

The Participants may modify this MoC by mutual consent in writing between the Participants. Those modifications will come into operation on the date decided by the Participants.

Item VIII
Confidentiality

- 1) Each Participant will observe the confidentiality of documents, information and other data received from or supplied by the other Participant for the implementation of this MoC.
- 2) If either Participant wants to disclose the confidential documents or information to a third party, that Participant should obtain written consent from the other Participant at least two (2) months prior to the disclosure.
- 3) The Participants confirm that the matters concerning confidentiality described in this Item will continue to be respected by the Participants notwithstanding the termination of the cooperation under this MoC.

Item IX
Suspension

Each Participant may suspend the implementation of the cooperation under this MOC temporarily in whole or in part. The suspension will commence immediately after Either Participant notifies the other Participant in writing of its intention to suspend.

Item X
Commencement, Duration and Termination

The cooperation under this MoC will commence on the date of signature by the Participants and continue for a period of five (5) years. The duration is automatically prolonged on the subsequent five (5) years, unless either Participant gives written notice of termination to the other Participant at least six (6) months prior to the date of its termination.

Such termination or end of the cooperation under this MoC will not affect the cooperative activities that the Participants have started during its term.

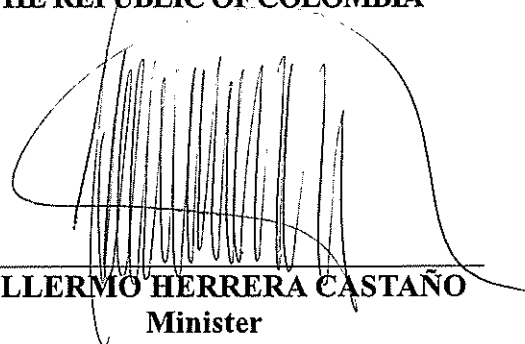
Signed as a non-legally binding document by each Participant at Tokyo and Bogotá on 22 June 2022 in two (2) originals, each in English, Japanese and Spanish languages, all versions having equal values. In case of divergence, the English version will prevail.

FOR THE JAPAN SPORTS AGENCY



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**FOR THE MINISTRY OF SPORTS OF
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GUILLERMO HERRERA CASTAÑO
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