MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION ON SPORTS

BETWEEN

THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, CULTURE, SPORTS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

OF JAPAN

AND

THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE, SPORTS AND YOUTH OF BARBADOS

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan and the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Youth of Barbados (hereinafter referred to as the "Participants"),

Taking into consideration the importance of cooperation in the field of sports as a medium of strengthening friendship and achieving better mutual understanding amongst the people of both countries,

Keeping in mind the preparation of, and the participation in the Olympic Games and the Paralympic Games in 2020 in Tokyo, Japan,

Have reached the following common recognition:

ITEM 1 – AIMS OF COOPERATION

This Memorandum of Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as "this Memorandum") aims to strengthen relations between the Participants and to promote cooperation in the field of sports between the Participants on the basis of reciprocity, mutual understanding and benefit in accordance with the laws and regulations in force in their respective countries.

ITEM 2 – AREA OF COOPERATION

The Participants will encourage exchange of experience, skills, techniques and information of mutual interest between government officials, national sports federations, higher educational institutions and other sports bodies of both countries in the following spheres:

- Sports for All;
- Sports for Children and Adolescents;
- Elite sports;
- Lifelong sports;
- · Para-sports;
- Sports science and sports medicine;
- Sports technologies and facilities;
- Anti-doping in sports;
- Sports management; and
- Physical education

The Participants may expand by mutual consent the spheres of cooperation.

ITEM 3 – IMPLEMENTATION

The Participants intend to encourage national sports federations, higher educational institutions and other sports bodies to exchange athletes, coaches and experts, to hold courses, seminars, symposia and conferences, and to develop programmes for sports collaboration.

The procedure to develop the programmes and their respective duration periods will be decided upon separately in each case.

ITEM 4 – FINANCIAL MATTERS

The financial matters to cover the expenses for the cooperative activities conducted within the framework of this Memorandum will be mutually decided upon by the Participants on a case-by-case basis subject to available resources.

ITEM 5 – SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any dispute or difference arising from the interpretation of this Memorandum will be resolved through consultations and negotiations between the Participants in an amicable manner.

ITEM 6 – MODIFICATIONS

This Memorandum may be modified by mutual written consent of both Participants. Such modifications will commence on such date as may be determined by both Participants.

ITEM 7 – COMMENCEMENT, DURATION AND TERMINATION

The cooperation under this Memorandum will commence on the date of its signing and will continue for a period of five (5) years. After this period, it will automatically be extended for successive periods of the next five (5) years unless either Participant notifies the other in writing of its intention to terminate the cooperation under this Memorandum prior to the end of its duration. Any activities decided under it will not, subject to the mutual consent of both the Participants, be affected by termination of this Memorandum until any activities pursuant to such activities have been carried out to their completion.

This Memorandum is signed as a non-legally binding document in Barbados on March 19, 2018, in duplicate in the Japanese and English languages, both texts having equal value. In case of any divergence in interpretation, the English text will prevail.

For the Ministry of Education, Culture, For the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Youth of Barbados

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