

# **MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF SPORTS**

**BETWEEN**



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

**AND**



**THE MINISTRY OF SPORT, YOUTH AND NATIONAL SERVICE OF NAMIBIA**

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan and The Ministry of Sport, Youth and National Service of Namibia (hereinafter referred to collectively as "the Participants" and individually as "Participant"),

**Inspired** by the desire to promote and strengthen good bilateral and cooperative relations between their States and Institutions, and to develop ties in the field of sports;

**Considering** that these activities constitute a solid pillar for the strengthening of the friendly relations and mutual recognition; and

**Emphasizing** their interest in establishing cooperation in the field of sports, and their common desire to collaborate in the construction of a better and more peaceful world, educating the citizenry in general and without discrimination of any kind, through the promotion of sports, to be practiced in a spirit of friendship, solidarity and fair play,

**NOW THEREFORE**, have reached the following recognition:

#### **Item1 Objectives**

This Memorandum of Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as "this MoC") aims to strengthen the ties of friendship between the Participants and to promote and consolidate cooperation in the field of sports between the Participants on the basis of reciprocity, mutual recognition and mutual benefit.

#### **Item2 Area of Cooperation**

- 2.1 For the purpose of achieving the desired cooperation, the Participants will promote the exchange of information, knowledge and experiences in the field of sports on the following areas:
  - a Construction of sport facilities;
  - b Development of technical expertise; and
  - c Other areas that the Participants consider necessary for achieving the desired cooperation.
- 2.2 Each Participant will be responsible for coordinating the implementation of the actions decided and assigned to it.

**Item 3**  
**Financing**

The financing of costs that may arise under this MoC, will be decided by the Participants on a case by case basis in line with availability of funds.

**Item 4**  
**Status of this MOC**

The cooperation envisaged under this MoC will not create any rights or obligations under international law or domestic law, and will not affect the international agreements and conventions to which Japan and Namibia are parties.

**Item 5**  
**Modifications**

This MoC may be modified by mutual written consent between the Participants. Such modifications will become an integral part of this MoC on the date decided by the Participants.

**Item 6**  
**Confidentiality**

- 6.1 Each Participant will confirm to observe the confidentiality and secrecy of documents, information and other data received from or supplied by the other Participant for the implementation of this MoC.
- 6.2 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.
- 6.3 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 7**  
**Settlement of Disputes**

Any dispute between the Participants arising from the interpretation or implementation of this MoC will be solved through consultations and negotiations through diplomatic channels.



**Item 8**  
**Suspension**

Each Participant may suspend the implementation of the cooperation under this MoC temporarily for reasons of national security, national interest, public order, or public health, either in whole or in part. The suspension will commence immediately after one of the Participants notifies the other Participant in writing of its intention to suspend.

**Item 9**  
**Commencement and Duration**

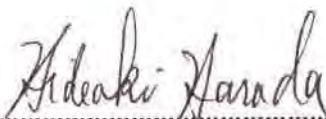
Cooperation under this MoC will commence on the date of its signature and will last for a period of three (3) years.

**Item 10**  
**Termination**

This MoC will be automatically renewed for successive three (3) years periods, unless either Participant communicates to the other Participant its intention to terminate it. Notwithstanding anything in this MoC, either Participant may terminate this MoC by providing six (6) months' prior notice in writing to the other Participant. The termination will not affect any ongoing activities under this MoC, unless the Participants decide otherwise.

**SIGNED** at Windhoek, Namibia, on 28 October, 2020 as a non-legally binding document in duplicate in the English language.

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