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No. 7534. CULTURAL AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE RE-PUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND PAKISTAN. SIGN-ED AT RAWALPINDI. ON 15 AUGUST 1961

The Republic of the Philippines and Pakistan, conscious of their common spiritual, intellectual and artistic traditions and desirous of strengthening and perpetuating the bonds of cultural, artistic, and scientific cooperation between them;

Have decided to conclude a Cultural Agreement and have, to this end, appointed as their plenipotentiaries:

For the Republic of the Philippines:

His Excellency, Dr. José Alejandrino, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of the Philippines in Pakistan

For Pakistan:

Mr. Akhter Husain, H. Pk., Minister for Education and Scientific Research who having examined each other's credentials and found them good and in due form, have agreed as follows:

Article I

The High Contracting Parties will encourage the establishment of cultural institutes in each other's territory subject to the legal requirements governing the establishment of such institutes in that territory and the general policy of its Government.

The term "Cultural Institute" shall be deemed to include libraries; scientific institutions of an educational nature; and institutions for the promotion of art, such as art galleries, art centres and societies, and film libraries dedicated to the study of the culture concerned.

Article II

The High Contracting Parties will encourage and facilitate the exchange between their respective countries of professors and teachers of universities and other educational institutions on terms to be agreed upon between their governments.

¹ Came into force on 14 October 1964, fifteen days after the exchange of the instruments of ratification which took place at Manila on 29 September 1964, in accordance with article XII.

Article III

Each of the High Contracting Parties will grant to students from the country of the other facilities for admission to its educational institutions, in accordance with the regulations in force in its territory. In this connection, the High Contracting Parties will examine periodically to what extent and under what conditions the degrees and diplomas issued in the territory of one of them may be recognized in the territory of the other as being equivalent to the corresponding degrees and diplomas issued in the latter territory for academic purposes.

Article IV

It is the desire of each of the High Contracting Parties to provide as far as its resources permit, scholarships to enable its undergraduates and graduates to undertake studies, special training or research works in institutions situated in the territory of the other party. Such studies may be pursued in any subject, scientific, technical or otherwise.

Article V

Each High Contracting Party will ensure that the text books prescribed in their respective educational institutions do not include any such material as may misrepresent the way of life and culture of the country of the other party, and that true and precise information about the other country is given whenever reference to that country is made in text books.

Article VI

Each of the High Contracting Parties will encourage, as far as its own resources, requirements, laws and regulations may permit, the training of employees of the Government of the other, or any other persons deputed by that Government, in its scientific, technical and industrial institutions.

Article VII

The High Contracting Parties will strive to promote cultural and intellectual exchange between the two countries by arranging, through appropriate learned or cultural bodies, concerts, lectures, art and scientific exhibitions; by organizing visits of students; by encouraging collaboration between scientific, artistic and literary societies and other organizations devoted to the promotion of learning; by exchange of publications, manuscripts, archaeological specimens and objects of art; by exhibition of films; and through broadcasts over the radio, subject to the observance of the general legal regulations of the Government concerned.

Article VIII

The High Contracting Parties will encourage reciprocal visits by cultural, civic, sporting and scouting groups of their respective countries and will extend all possible facilities for such groups of travel within their respective territories, subject to observance of the general legal regulations of the Government concerned.

Article IX

Each High Contracting Party will endeavour to promote the study of the national language of the other country in its own country in order that the people of both the countries may be able to benefit as far as possible from their common cultural heritage.

Article X

The High Contracting Parties will encourage the formation of joint social and cultural societies and associations in their respective countries, such societies and associations to be subject to the laws and regulations of the country in which they exist.

Article XI

For the purpose of carrying out of the terms of this agreement, either contracting party may, if necessary, set up a special commission composed, in Pakistan, of the Minister-in-Charge of Education or his representative and the Head of the Philippine Diplomatic Mission in Pakistan, and in the Philippines, of the Secretary of Education or his representative and the Head of the Pakistani Diplomatic Mission in Philippines with such advisers as may be nominated by the respective Contracting Governments, with the object of:

- (a) Watching the implementation of the agreement in the country concerned;
- (b) Advising the Government concerned on the detailed manner of implementing the agreement.

The two Governments will hold joint consultations as and when necessary to coordinate the working of the Agreement in the two countries and invite suggestions and advice from cooperating agencies as to the steps that may be deemed necessary for a more effective implementation of this Agreement.

Article XII

The present Agreement will be ratified in accordance with the respective constitutional procedures of the Governments of the High Contracting Parties and will come into force 15 days after the exchange of the instruments of ratification, which will take place at Manila, Philippines.

Article XIII

The present Agreement will remain in force indefinitely unless and until denounced by the Government of either of the High Contracting Parties, in which case it shall be held to have terminated six months after one of the Parties has notified the other of its intention to denounce it.

In faith whereof, the undersigned plenipotentiaries have signed the present Agreement.

Done in duplicate at Rawalpindi, Pakistan, this fifteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and sixty-one Anno Domini, and of the Independence of the Republic of the Philippines, the fifteenth, corresponding to the third day of Rabi-ul-Awwal 1381 Hijri.

For the Republic of the Philippines:

(Signed) Dr. José Alejandrino Ambassador of the Republic of the Philippines For Pakistan:

(Signed) Akhter Husain, H. Pk.
Minister of Education
and Scientific Research

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