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Signed at Manila on 14 September 1981**

*Authentic text: English.*

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## AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> FOR THE EXCHANGE OF INTERNATIONAL MONEY ORDERS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of Australia, desiring to conclude an agreement for the exchange of international money orders between the Republic of the Philippines and Australia, have agreed as follows:

*Article 1.* There shall be a regular exchange of money orders between the Republic of the Philippines and Australia.

*Article 2.* The exchange of money orders shall be performed by the exchange offices designated for this purpose by the Postal Administration of each Government (hereinafter referred to as the "Postal Administrations").

*Article 3.* (1) The amounts of money orders in both directions shall be expressed in United States dollars. The currency mentioned above may, however, be subject to alteration by agreement between the two Postal Administrations.

(2) The maximum amount of each money order shall be determined by agreement between the two Postal Administrations.

*Article 4.* (1) All payments in respect of money orders shall be made in the legal money of the country of issue or payment as the case may be.

(2) Each Postal Administration shall determine the rate of conversion of the currency of its country into United States dollars or such other currency as agreed between the two Postal Administrations under Paragraph (1) of Article 3 above.

*Article 5.* (1) Each Postal Administration shall have the power to fix the charges to be collected by it, including fees for advice of payment.

(2) Each Postal Administration shall retain its own charges, but each Postal Administration shall pay to the other one half (1/2) of one (1) per cent of the value of money orders issued in its country and advised to the other country.

*Article 6.* The manner and conditions of issuing and paying money orders shall be governed, as regards issue, by the regulations existing in the country of issue, and, as regards payment, by the regulations existing in the country of payment.

*Article 7.* The remitter of a money order may apply for an advice of payment of the order at the time of issue or within twelve months after the end of the month of issue.

*Article 8.* (1) A money order shall remain payable within the period set by the country of issue, and the amounts of money orders not paid within that period shall be returned to the issuing Postal Administration to be dealt with in accordance with the regulations existing in the country of issue. The same conditions shall apply to the amounts of all money orders which were not paid because the payee could not be found, or for any other reason.

(2) Repayment of a money order shall not be made to the remitter until it has been ascertained, through the paying Postal Administration, that the original has not been and will not be paid.

*Article 9.* Each Postal Administration may, through the medium of the other Postal Administration, exchange money orders with other countries with which it does not maintain the direct exchange of money orders, under conditions to be settled by agreement

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 1 July 1982, the date agreed upon by the Contracting Parties, in accordance with article 13(1).

between the two Postal Administrations and provided that the other Postal Administration maintains the exchange of money orders with those countries.

*Article 10.* Accounts relating to money orders shall be prepared and settled in accordance with conditions agreed between the two Postal Administrations.

*Article 11.* When either of the Postal Administrations finds itself obliged, owing to extraordinary circumstances, temporarily to suspend the money order service, either wholly or in part, it shall at once notify the other Postal Administration.

*Article 12.* Matters necessary to insure the execution of the present Agreement shall be settled by agreement between the two Postal Administrations.

*Article 13.* (1) The present Agreement shall be approved by each Contracting Party in accordance with its legal procedures, and thereafter shall enter into force on a date agreed between the two Contracting Parties.

(2) The present Agreement shall continue in force until the expiration of twelve months, commencing on the date on which either of the Contracting Parties shall have received notification from the other, of the latter Party's intention to terminate it.

DONE in duplicate at Manila on the 14th day of September, one thousand nine hundred and eighty-one.

[Signed — Signé]<sup>1</sup>

For the Government  
of the Republic of the Philippines

[Signed — Signé]<sup>2</sup>

For the Government  
of Australia

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