



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
FOR RESEARCH COLLABORATION
BETWEEN
ANIMAL, PLANT, AND FISHERIES QUARANTINE AND
INSPECTION AGENCY, REPUBLIC OF KOREA
AND
WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY, USA**



This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is established to promote collaborative research exchanges between the Animal, Plant, and Fisheries Quarantine and Inspection Agency, ("QIA"), and Washington State University, ("WSU") in accordance with the following articles:

This MOU sets forth in general terms that reflect mutual understanding on cooperation.

Article 1: OBJECTIVES OF COOPERATION:

QIA and WSU conduct programs and activities of basic and applied research, education and training, technology and information transfer, and economic development. Both Parties have capabilities and expertise in conducting programs and activities of interest and potential benefit to the other.

QIA and WSU will cooperate in efforts to establish and conduct mutually agreed upon cooperative and collaborative projects, programs, and/or activities, which will enhance the programs of each. Specific details of any cooperative/collaborative activities to be conducted, including cooperation with third parties and allocation of support and resources, shall be set forth and agreed upon in writing as a contract between parties.

Article 2: AREAS AND SCOPE OF COOPERATION:

The cooperative activities under this MOU may include, but are not limited to, activities in the scientific and technical areas of mutual interest described as follows:

1. Zoonoses and animal diseases, including aquatic animal diseases;
2. Animal health and welfare;
3. Plant health inspection and disease control
4. Newly emerging animal and plant diseases, due to the effects of climate change
5. Food safety related to veterinary science and plant health

To bring more benefits to the both sides and increase research activities, upon mutual consent, the Parties, if possible, intend to cooperate with other interested public agencies and the scientific and business communities of both countries in cooperative programs, capacity-building activities, and scientific cooperation and exchanges under this MOU.

Article 3: SOURCE OF FUNDING:

The cooperative activities carried out under this MOU will be subject to the funds, personnel and resources available to the Parties. Each Party will cover its own costs, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon in writing. Joint activities will not include the transferring funds between the Parties except in cases where there is a separate agreement from this MOU.

Article 4: GENERAL PROVISIONS

It is mutually understood by the Parties that:

1. All activities under this MOU should be carried out in strict adherence to the laws and regulations of the Republic of Korea and the United States of America
2. Outlines covering goals and objectives, working plans, research methodologies, and procedures may be prepared jointly.
3. This MOU in no way restricts either Party from participating in similar activities or arrangements with other public or private agencies, organizations, or individuals.
4. Reciprocal visits by QIA and WSU scientists may be encouraged or planned in order to undertake new collaborative research for additional long-term exchanges.
5. The Parties acknowledge that this MOU does not constitute, create, give effect to, or otherwise imply a combined venture, pooling arrangement, partnership or organization of any kind.
6. This MOU is not intended to, and does not create any right, benefit, or trust responsibility, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, by a party against the Republic of Korea and the United States of America, their agencies, officials, or any person.
7. The Parties should attempt to resolve any dispute regarding the implementation or interpretation of this MOU through friendly and timely consultations.

Article 5: EFFECTIVE DATE, AMENDMENTS, VALIDITY AND TERMINATION

Cooperation under this MOU may commence from the date of signature by the Parties. It shall remain valid for a period of five (5) years from the date of the last signature, with the understanding that it may be modified by written mutual consent of the Parties. This MOU shall be reviewed in its final year and may be extended for another five-year period by mutual written agreement of the Parties. In the event that the agreement is not renewed, any research or related activities in progress at the time of termination of this agreement will continue, until the agreed scope of work has been completed.

Provided, however that this MOU may be terminated by any Party upon six (6) month written notice to all other Parties to the MOU. This MOU may be amended or extended by mutual agreement of the Parties.

Article 6: LIASON CONTACT INFORMATION:

Under this MOU, the designated coordinating offices will be the Research Planning Division of QIA and Professor and Vice Provost, Office of International Programs, Washington State University.

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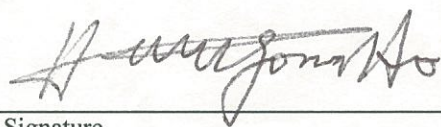
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The Parties agree to consult periodically concerning the status of the agreement and other relevant matters.

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Signature

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Date

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