

# SUPPLEMENTARY AGREEMENT NO. 17

between

THE UNITED NATIONS

and

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC  
OF THE PHILIPPINES

The United Nations and the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (hereinafter called "the Government"), pursuant to the Basic Agreement for Technical Assistance concluded at Manila on 5 April 1951 between the United Nations and other Organizations represented on the Technical Assistance Board and the Government (hereinafter called "the Basic Agreement"),

Have agreed as follows:

## ARTICLE I

### *Establishment, Objectives and Activities of the Statistical Training Centre in the Philippines*

1. The Government being desirous of establishing, with the assistance and cooperation of the United Nations, a Statistical Training Programme with a view to contributing to the development and maintenance of a high level of efficiency in the statistical activities in the Philippines and, in particular, in statistical services of Government agencies and institutions, the United Nations has agreed to provide assistance and cooperation subject to the availability of funds.
2. Subject to the stipulations specified herein a Statistical Training Centre (hereinafter called "the Centre") shall be established under the jurisdiction of the University of the Philippines (hereinafter called "the University") and will organize or carry out the following inter-related activities:

- a) Instruction to include the following subject matter, in accordance with the priorities and work schedules ap-

proved by the Executive Committee of the Centre (see Article III, 1) :

- i) General statistical methodology, consideration being given to the prerequisite mathematical training;
  - ii) Sampling methods, design of experiments and surveys;
  - iii) Organization and coordination of the statistical services of governmental agencies and institutions;
  - iv) Collection, tabulation and publication of the major classes of data required for purposes of the Government, including demographic statistics; national income statistics; statistics of prices, trade and finance; industrial, agricultural and labour statistics; statistics relating to education and other social and economic fields;
  - v) Organization and conduct of census operations; collection, tabulation and publication of the results; organization and conduct of statistical operations in administrative agencies;
  - vi) Analysis and utilization of government statistics.
- b) Practical demonstrations through the organization of model sections in the statistical services of governmental agencies or institutions, adequate technical coordination between the services concerned, the development of such records and operations as may be desirable for the purpose of demonstration and research, and the execution of pilot projects or of special sampling surveys in Manila or in the provinces.
  - c) Maintenance of appropriate library and laboratory facilities.
  - d) Arrangements to facilitate further statistical training for eligible persons at other institutions within the country, and to supplement training abroad.

ARTICLE II

*Coordination Board*

1. The Government shall establish a Coordination Board for the Centre composed of the following members:

The Secretary of Foreign Affairs

The Secretary of Finance

The Secretary of Commerce and Industry

The Executive Secretary to the President of the Philippines

The Governor of the Central Bank of the Philippines

The President of the University

The President of the Philippine Statistical Association

Each member of the Board may appoint an alternate having the same power to represent the corresponding agency or institution on the Coordination Board. The Board shall be authorized to modify its membership and to adopt additional members on a permanent basis or for specific periods of time, as may be required to make its work more effective.

2. The Coordination Board shall:

- i) Be responsible for the development of the in-service-training programme of the Centre, within the interested governmental agencies and institutions.
- ii) facilitate in any other way the activities of the Centre; and give such support and advice to the Executive Committee (See Article III below) as may be appropriate to further the objectives of the Centre.

ARTICLE III

*Executive Committee*

1. The Executive Committee of the Centre shall be composed of:

The Executive Vice President of the University

The Director of Economic Research of the Central Bank of the Philippines

The Director of the Bureau of Census and Statistics

The Director of the Centre

The Principal Statistician (see Article VI below), who shall also act as the rapporteur to the Executive Committee.

2. The Executive Committee shall:

- i) carry out on behalf of the University all decisions relating to the programme, activities and management of the Centre.
- ii) in regard to in-service-training, be responsible for drawing up programmes for presentation to the Coordination Board for that Board's approval and implementation.
- iii) make necessary arrangements for the provision of such assistance, funds and other facilities as may be desirable for the carrying out of the activities of the Centre consistent with the objectives mentioned in Article I paragraph 2 above.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### *Professional Committee on Statistical Training*

The Executive Committee shall invite the Philippine Statistical Association to appoint a Professional Committee on Statistical Training (hereinafter called "the Professional Committee"), composed of not less than five members, to act in a technical advisory capacity, providing the Executive Committee of the Centre with current consultation, and reporting its recommendations to it.

#### ARTICLE V

##### *Duration of the Centre*

1. The Government confirms that, subject to the availability of funds, it intends to make the Centre a permanent institution,

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and to take all appropriate measures in due time to assure the continuation of the activities of the Centre beyond the assignment of the United Nations experts mentioned in Article VI below.

2. The Government shall not terminate the activities of the Centre within the period of five years from the date of its opening, without prior consultation with the United Nations.

3. The United Nations, on its part, confirms that, subject to the availability of funds, it intends to support and encourage the work of the Centre by granting technical assistance until such time as the Centre is deemed sufficiently established to continue its functions without such assistance.

### ARTICLE VI

#### *Obligations of the United Nations*

1. The United Nations shall provide as soon hereafter as practicable and subject to the provisions of the Basic Agreement, for a period of two years, which period may be extended upon agreement between the United Nations and the Government, the services of two statistical experts:

a) a Principal Statistician, whose functions shall be:

i) to advise and assist the Director of the Centre and the Executive Committee in the administration of the Centre; and

ii) to conduct training courses at the centre and to participate in its research and other activities of the Centre.

b) a Senior Statistician, whose function shall be to conduct training courses at the Centre and to participate in its research and other activities.

2. The United Nations may in addition, subject to the availability of funds, provide other technical staff, equipment or other assistance as may be required for the operation of the Centre.

3. The Principal Statistician, and the Senior Statistician shall work in close consultation and full cooperation with the com-

petent agencies and officials of the Government and the University, with the Coordination Board and the Executive Committee, as well as with any associated authorities charged with development projects in the country. During their assignments they will be available to the Government except for such periods required for briefing, travel and leave as determined by the regulations of the United Nations.

4. The United Nations shall assume, in respect of the Principal Statistician and the Senior Statistician, all administrative and financial obligations defined in paragraph a (i) to (iv) of Article III of the Basic Agreement.

## ARTICLE VII

### *Obligations of the Government*

1. The Government shall:

- a) make available to the Centre, at its own expense or at the expense of other Philippine institutions, a Director of the Centre, who shall be responsible towards the Executive Committee for the programme, activities and management of the Centre;
- b) make available to the Centre, at its own expense or at the expense of other Philippine institutions, the services of
  - i) two or more lecturers, to participate in the instruction and research programme of the Centre, one of whom may be designated Senior Lecturer and may be assigned administrative duties by the Director of the Centre.
  - ii) such clerical and other staff as may be required for the proper functioning of the Centre.
- c) make all necessary arrangements to obtain for the Centre the necessary lecture rooms, laboratories and other premises and accommodations, as well as facilities, supplies and equipment for the proper functioning of the Centre;

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- d) make the centre available, not later than twelve months from its opening, for statistical training of the United Nations fellowship holders or other persons from abroad, if eligible in conformity with the standards and policy of the University.
2. The Government shall, pursuant to Article III (b) to (c) of the Basic Agreement, provide the following:
- a) lodging in kind for the Principal Statistician and the Senior Statistician mentioned in Article VI above and, if either of them is accompanied by any recognized dependent, also for such dependents; or by payment of a monthly lodging allowance of 336 pesos per expert;
  - b) if necessary, medical care and hospitalization for these experts;
  - c) appropriate offices with facilities, supplies, equipment and other materials needed by them for their work, as well as postal, telegraph and telephone communications for official purposes;
  - d) transportation in respect of any official travel which they, in rendering the technical assistance requested by the Government, may undertake within the country;
  - e) for days of official travel away from their normal duty station, a travel allowance of 28 pesos per day each, which travel allowance is to be reduced by 40 per cent, that is 11.20 pesos, for each day for which lodging is provided in kind at the place or places visited by them, and to be reduced by 40 per cent, that is 11.20 pesos, for each day for which board is provided in kind at such place or places. For such days of official travel during which either is not in a position to give up his living quarters at his normal duty station, he shall, in addition, receive the lodging allowance or the lodging in kind mentioned in (a) above.
3. It is understood that the provisions of paragraph 2(a) and (e) above are in conformity with the decisions, presently in force, made by the Technical Assistance Board on the basis of

the rules laid down by the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, and that, under these rules, the provisions of paragraph 2(a) and (e) above are subject to change from time to time. Should such changes be made during the period of mission of any of the experts, the Government shall, upon due notification by the United Nations, apply the provisions of paragraph 2(a) and (e) with the appropriate changes.

4. The Government shall, in accordance with paragraph (c) of Article III of the Basic Agreement, establish two local currency funds for the defraying of local currency expenses under the requirements of Article V (2) and (3) of this Supplementary Agreement. One fund shall be established in an initial amount of twelve thousand pesos which shall be deposited with the Resident Technical Assistance Representative for operation by the Resident Technical Assistance Representative, this being the estimated requirement for the first year of assignment of the statistical experts to be provided by the United Nations and this fund shall at no time fall below six thousand pesos per expert per year while either or both experts are on mission in the Philippines. After completion of their mission, any unexpended balance shall, upon due rendering of accounts, be returned to the Government. The other fund shall be established in an initial amount of fifty-six thousand eight hundred and seventy-six pesos which shall be deposited with and operated by an official to be agreed on between the parties, this sum being the estimated cost for the first year of the operation of the centre other than the local costs already allowed for in this Article for the assignment of the United Nations experts.

#### ARTICLE VIII

1. This Supplementary Agreement shall come into force upon signature.
2. This Supplementary Agreement may be modified by agreement between the United Nations and the Government in accordance with Article VI (b) of the Basic Agreement.
3. This Supplementary Agreement may be terminated by either party upon written notice to the other, in which case it shall terminate 120 days after receipt of such notice.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, duly authorized representative of the United Nations and the Government, respectively, have signed this Supplementary Agreement No. 17 at Manila this 11th day of December 1953 in four copies in English.

For the United Nations:

For the Government of the  
Republic of the Philippines:

(Sgd.) J. P. B. ROSS

*Acting Resident Technical Assistance  
Representative in the Philippines*

(Sgd.) FELINO NERI

*Acting Secretary of Foreign Affairs*

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