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Memorandum of Understanding
On
Cooperation
Between
The Argentine Ombudsman
And
The Public Defender of Georgia

The Ombudsman of Argentina and the Public Defender of Georgia (hereinafter referred to as "the Argentine Ombudsman" and "the Public Defender of Georgia" and collectively as "the Sides");

Referring to the universally accepted principles and standards of international law, to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, to their shared values of democracy and the rule of law, as well as to the relevant applicable legislations of The Republic of Georgia and The Argentine Republic;

Motivated by the friendly relations between the two nations and the desire to establish mutual cooperation between the Sides, with a view to sharing optimal work practices as defined by the respective legislations of Georgia and Argentina and generally motivated by the desire to advance principles of equity and justice;



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Have reached the following understandings:

Paragraph I

Cooperation

1. In order to facilitate the achievement of the objectives set out in the basic legal texts pertaining to each organization, the Sides intend to cooperate and provide mutual support, within the limits of their authority, as laid down by their respective legislations.
2. This cooperation may take several forms, including mutual participation in conferences and meetings, organization of study visits and training workshops and the exchange of information.

Paragraph II

Participation in conferences and meetings

1. The Sides may invite each other to participate in conferences and meetings that they organize on issues of mutual interest.
2. The Argentine Ombudsman and the Public Defender of Georgia agree to support the participation of their institutions at conferences or meetings held by international organizations and associations whose activities are consistent with the objectives and common references laid down by this Memorandum of Understanding.

Paragraph III

Organization of study visits and training workshops

The Sides may organize study visits, training workshops and other activities aimed at exchanging professional experience and improving the mutual training of their staff.

Paragraph IV

Exchange of information

1. The Sides may exchange information relating to important decisions and activities on issues of mutual interest, in accordance with their respective laws and regulations.
2. The Sides may share legislation, legal documents, background documents and issue papers.
3. The Sides may exchange information concerning important decisions or activities in their respective countries on issues of mutual interest.
4. Exchange of information under this Memorandum of Understanding is subject to each side's respective applicable legislation.

Paragraph V

Terms and Conditions

1. The terms and conditions of the organization of the above mentioned events shall be determined by the Sides on a case by case basis, within the budgetary limits of the Sides.
2. The application to bilateral or multilateral cooperation funds in order to support the organization of these events shall be adopted.

Paragraph VI

Final Provisions

1. The present Memorandum shall come into effect upon its signing. It will remain in effect unless terminated by one of the Sides by providing a one month prior written notice.
2. Modifications to this Memorandum of Understanding may be proposed by any of the Sides and adopted by mutual consent in writing.

This Memorandum of Understanding was signed in Tbilisi, Georgia on
15 November 2018 in two original copies, in English.

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