MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN TECHNICAL COLLEGE IN DARKHAN-UUL AIMAG AND SOUTH DAKOTA SCHOOL OF MINES AND TECHNOLOGY

Technical College in Darkhan-UUL Aimag and the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (hereafter referred to as "SDSMT") of the United States of America, believing the extension and strengthening of scientific and technical cooperation and exchange to be of mutual value, hereby record their intentions to establish close and harmonious cooperation to provide academic and educational exchange through the following activities.

EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS

Each party will recommend potential students to participate in an exchange for the matriculation of the other university's appropriate academic programs on a reciprocal basis. The student's acceptance is subject to approval by the host.

The host institution will assist students in locating living accommodations and will place the students in appropriate research programs and appoint supervisors. Unless otherwise agreed, students will be responsible for meeting their own costs of living and paying tuition and fees to the host institution.

2. EXCHANGE OF ACADEMIC STAFF

Each party may nominate its academic staff to participate in an exchange for the purpose of advanced study, research or lecturing in the other institutions on a reciprocal basis.

- 2.1. The participant is subject to approval by the host institutions.
- 2.2. The participant shall be responsible for travel expenses while the hosting institution shall provide accommodation.

3. CONTINUING EDUCATION

Each party will promote continuing education of teachers, professors, and academic staff such as through study groups.

- 3.1. Various groups and/or individuals will visit SDSMT, the Black Hills, and the Badlands of South Dakota to study topics for which the faculty members of SDSMT have special expertise. In reciprocation, groups and/or individuals will visit Mongolia and the Technical College in Darkhan-UUL Aimag to learn from its faculty and staff and to collaborate on technical and scientific initiatives.
- Various groups from SDSMT will visit Technical College in Darkhan-UUL Aimag to present workshops of value and interest to both institutions.

4. COOPERATIVE RESEARCH

Cooperative research is to be encouraged as individual scholars establish contact one another and develop mutual interests.

5. TERMS OF COOPERATION

- 6.1. This agreement is not designed to address each individual exchange. Prior to commencing a specific activity, a particular agreement may be entered into with the terms to be discussed and specifically agreed upon by the parties prior to commencement.
- 6.2. In such cases, this agreement will form an annex to any separate agreement entered into covering a particular activity.
- 6.3. This agreement shall come into effect on the day of its signing by representatives of both universities and shall be valid for a period of five years. It shall be continuously renewable unless either party wishes to abrogate it.
- 6.4. Abrogation by either institution of this Agreement requires six months prior notification.

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