MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE UNIVERSITY OF HAVANA
AND
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

The University of Havana and Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University, hereinafter, collectively, "Institutions," hereby enter into this Memorandum of Understanding for the purpose of establishing collaborative relations between the Institutions to promote friendship and to cooperate in a mutually beneficial association.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Institutions shall encourage cooperation in any academic discipline that is studied in both Institutions.
2. The Institutions shall seek to promote:
   a. Exchange of information and materials that are of mutual interest;
   b. The joint development of academic programs, whether semester long or for shorter periods of time for students of both Institutions;
   c. Exchange between the Institutions of
      i. Academic and administrative staff,
      ii. Research staff,
      iii. Visiting scholars,
      iv. Graduate students, and
      v. Other staff mutually agreed upon;
   d. Provision of briefings by each Institution for visitors from the other Institution; and
   e. Other forms of cooperation, which the two Institutions may jointly arrange.

Details of any such activities will be subject to a separate Agreement executed by the Institutions that will be attached to this as an addendum.

3. The Institutions shall decide through consultation the specific areas and details of cooperation within the framework of this Agreement and shall consult from time to time at the request of either Institution for the purpose of reviewing the operation of this Agreement.
4. The financial arrangements involved in the implementation of this Agreement shall be settled through consultation between the two Institutions in respect of each program of cooperation.
5. The Agreement shall become operative on the last date indicated hereunder and shall remain in force for a period of five (5) years with an option to renew if mutually agreed upon by the Institutions for another five (5) years.
6. The Agreement may be amended and supplemented by written agreement between the Institutions.
7. Either **Institution** may terminate this Agreement by giving six (6) months notice in writing to the other Institution. Any projects, training, or exchange that may have commenced at either Institution before the date of termination may be completed by special agreement between the Institutions. For conditions not covered by this Agreement, or for problems that arise during the course of this Agreement, both Institutions undertake to refrain from unilateral action and to consult and negotiate mutually acceptable decisions.

8. The Institutions shall confer concerning the renewal of this Memorandum of Understanding six (6) months prior to the date of expiration.

9. The Institutions shall at all times in performance under this Memorandum of Understanding cooperate in respecting and complying with all federal, state, and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, orders, and policies of the home country of each Institution.

10. This Memorandum of Understanding and its attachments constitute the entire agreement between the Institutions pertaining to the subject herein and supersedes all prior written or verbal agreements between the Institutions.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this Memorandum of Understanding on the last date indicated hereunder.

Signed for, and on behalf of,

The University of Havana

Gustavo Cobreiro Suarezy, Rector

Recommended by:

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