

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

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This Agreement, made and entered into by and between:

The **BUREAU OF AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS**, represented herein by its Director, **Mr. Romeo S. Recide**, with principal office at Ben-Lor Bldg., Quezon Avenue, Quezon City, and hereinafter referred to as **BAS**;

-and-

The **NATIONAL MEAT INSPECTION COMMISSION**, represented herein by its Executive Director, **Dr. Manuel D. Rocha**, with principal office at BAI Complex, Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City, and hereinafter referred to as **NMIC**;

-and-

The **PHILIPPINE STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION, INC. STATISTICAL DEVELOPMENT AND ANALYSIS IN SUPPORT OF THE AGRIBUSINESS SECTOR PROJECT**, represented herein by its Coordinator, **Prof. Ruben F. Trinidad**, with principal office at the Philippine Social Science Center, Commonwealth Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City, and hereinafter referred to as **PSA-SDASAS**;

WHEREAS, BAS as the GOP's principal agency responsible for the collection, compilation and release of all official agricultural statistics is mandated to maintain an orderly and reliable set of statistics on slaughtering of animals in abattoir;

WHEREAS, NMIC in pursuance of its mandated responsibility to regulate the operation of slaughter houses, abattoirs and dressing plants also maintains a system of monitoring the volume of animals slaughtered and other related information on the operation of slaughter houses;

WHEREAS, PSA-SDASAS as a grantee of a cooperative agreement of the Agribusiness System Assistance Program (ASAP), a project jointly managed by the Department of Agriculture (DA) and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) is tasked to provide technical assistance for the improvement of agribusiness statistics.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the parties hereto have agreed to the following:

Manuel D. Rocha
Ruben F. Trinidad
Romeo S. Recide

Article I. Obligations and Delineation of Responsibilities

Section 1. The PSA shall:

- a. Provide technical assistance to resolve the inconsistencies between BAS and NMIC statistics on animals slaughtered in abattoirs;
- b. Provide funds for training, travel and reproduction of questionnaires and manuals during the pilot phase of the project;
- c. Provide the overall direction in the implementation of the project;
- d. Be responsible in the evaluation and assessment of the pilot phase of the project.

Section 2. The BAS shall:

- a. Provide personnel and operational support for the regular monitoring of "B" accredited and sample abattoirs and dressing plants;
- b. Collect, verify and analyze livestock and poultry slaughter reports from "B" accredited and sample abattoirs and dressing plants;
- c. Collect condemnation reports from "B" accredited and sample abattoirs and dressing plants and forward it to NMIC before processing at the BAS Central Office;
- d. Be responsible in the processing of slaughter data using the computerized system and generate computer outputs;
- e. Provide NMIC computer-based data files and statistical tables;
- f. Be responsible in the release of official estimates on the volume of animals slaughtered on a monthly basis;
- g. Be responsible in the release of official slaughter data from all abattoirs and dressing plants on a quarterly basis;
- h. Jointly with NMIC, be responsible for maintaining the systems developed under this project.

Section 3. The NMIC shall:

- a. Provide personnel and operational support for the regular monitoring of "AA" and "A" accredited and all non-sample abattoirs and dressing plants;
- b. Collect, verify and analyze livestock and poultry slaughter and condemnation reports from "AA" and "A" accredited and all non-sample abattoirs and dressing plants;
- c. Collect, verify and analyze livestock and poultry slaughter and condemnation reports from all National Capital Region abattoirs and dressing plants;
- d. Verify and analyze all condemnation reports prior to BAS computerized processing;
- e. Submit to BAS duly verified and edited monitoring forms for computer processing;
- f. Be responsible in the release of specific slaughter and condemnation information on a monthly basis;
- g. Jointly with BAS, be responsible for maintaining the systems developed under this project.

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Article II. Duration

The BAS-NMIC Database Networking on Slaughter Statistics shall be undertaken for a period of four (4) months starting September 1, 1993 until December 31, 1993.

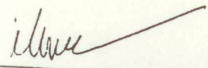
Article III. Project Output

Upon completion of the BAS-NMIC Networking activity, the PSA shall submit a technical report and other related outputs to the USAID as provided under the Cooperative Agreement signed between PSA and USAID. PSA shall furnish BAS and NMIC copies of said report.

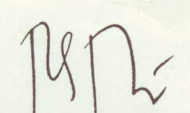
Article IV. Amendments

It is mutually agreed that this Agreement will not be amended except by a written amendment executed by both parties with proper authorization from PSA in terms of the funding source under ASAP.

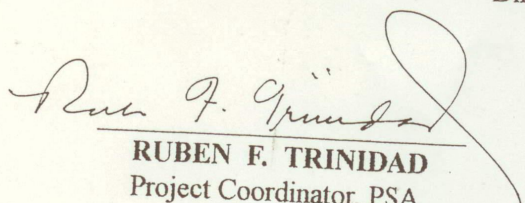
IN WITNESS HEREOF, the parties have hereunto affixed their respective signatures this _____ day of _____, 1993 at Manila, Philippines.



MANUEL D. ROCHA
Executive Director, NMIC

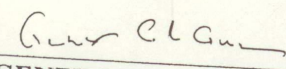


ROMEO S. RECIDE
Director, BAS

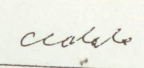


RUBEN F. TRINIDAD
Project Coordinator, PSA

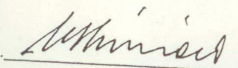
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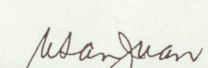
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