MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT IN THE ORGANIZATION OF MSAC CORE TEAM FOR THE ORIENTATION ON FULL DEVOLUTION & OTHER DEVELOPMENT-ORIENTED, RESEARCH BASED & DEMAND-DRIVEN CAPDEV PROGRAMS

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This Memorandum of Agreement is made and entered into by and among the following, to wit:

Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Regional Office I (RO I) with office address at Aguila Road, Brgy. Sevilla, City of San Fernando, La Union, represented by **Regional Director James F. Fadrilan, CESO III**

Department of Budget and Management with office address at Government Center, Sevilla, City of San Fernando, La Union, represented by **Regional Director Ria V. Bansigan;**

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WHEREAS, RA 7160 otherwise known as Local Government Code of 1991 promotes partnerships among Local Government Units (LGUs), National Government Agencies (NGAs), Non-Government Organizations (NGOs), People's Organizations (POs), Private Sector (PS), Local Resource Institutes (LRIs) and other stakeholders to consolidate and coordinate efforts, services and resources for the attainment of common development goals and objectives;

WHEREAS, the DILG thru the Local Governance Regional Resource Center (LGRRC) recognizes its important role in facilitating a culture of knowledge sharing and convergence of efforts between and among the parties that promotes excellence in local governance;

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court ruled in 2018 that the just share of LGUs from the national taxes is not limited to national internal taxes collected by the Bureau of Internal Revenue but includes collections by the Bureau of Customs;

WHEREAS, Section 17 of the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that the core of decentralization and devolution of powers which include the devolution of basic services and facilities to the LGUs;

WHEREAS, the role of LGUs is deemed critical in national development as the demand for local services become more demanding amidst various governance challenges and other emerging needs in the local government which shall compel them to be prepared for service;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing, the parties hereto agree and bind themselves under the following terms and conditions:

- 1. To conduct, participate or assist in capacity building activities and programs for LGUs that are responsive to their capacity development needs and requirements such as trainings, seminars, workshops and the provision of technical assistance that will further enhance their technical and administrative such as but not limited to the Orientation on Full Devolution;
- 2. To facilitate networking among LGUs, NGAs, NGOs, POs, PS, LRIs and other stakeholders for more productive efforts towards advancing the state of local governance in the region;
- 3. To provide access to knowledge products, expertise, exemplary or replicable practices and modules on capacity building;
- 4. To promote good local governance practices and innovations and;
- 5. To allocate resource counterpart support, if necessary, for providing the appropriate interventions in addressing issues and concerns on the Capacity Development Agenda of Region 1.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereto set their hands this _____ day of March 2020 at City of San Fernando, La Union, Philippines.

JAMES F. FADRILAN, CESO III Regional Director DILG – RO I

WITNESSES:

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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and who acknowledge to me the same in their free and voluntary act and deed and those of the entities they represent.

This Memorandum of Agreement consists of four (4) pages including this page where this acknowledgement is written has been signed by the parties including their instrumental witnesses on the left hand margin on each and every page except on the page where their signatures appeared above their respective names.

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