



**AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
AND  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VANUATU  
CONCERNING THE PROGRAM OF THE PEACE CORPS IN VANUATU**

The Government of the United States of America (hereinafter "the United States") and the Government of the Republic of Vanuatu (hereinafter "Vanuatu"), recognizing the importance of developing mutually advantageous relationships and cooperation between their countries, have agreed as follows:

**ARTICLE I**

1. The Government of the United States shall furnish such Peace Corps Volunteers as may be requested by the Government of Vanuatu and approved by the Government of the United States to perform mutually agreed tasks in Vanuatu.
2. The Volunteers shall work under the immediate supervision of governmental and private organizations in Vanuatu designated by the two governments.
3. The Government of the United States shall provide training to enable the Volunteers to perform their tasks in the most effective manner.
4. The Government of Vanuatu shall bear such share of the costs of the Peace Corps program incurred in Vanuatu as the two governments may agree.

**ARTICLE II**

1. The Government of Vanuatu shall accord equitable treatment to the Volunteers and persons performing functions under contract with the Peace Corps and their dependents and property; accord them and their property full aid and protection, including treatment no less favorable than that accorded generally to nationals of the United States residing in Vanuatu; and fully inform, consult, and cooperate with representatives of the United States with respect to all matters concerning them.
2. The Government of Vanuatu shall exempt the Volunteers from all taxes on payments that they receive to defray their living costs, on income derived from their Peace Corps work, and on income from other sources outside Vanuatu; from all customs duties or other charges on their personal property introduced into Vanuatu for their own use; and from all other taxes or other charges (including immigration/visa fees), except license fees. The Government of Vanuatu shall issue residence permits and visas (including multiple-entry visas), without fee or other charge, to Volunteers.

2. Any disputes arising under this agreement shall be resolved amicably by the two governments.

#### ARTICLE VII

The undertakings of each government herein are subject to the availability of funds.

#### ARTICLE VIII

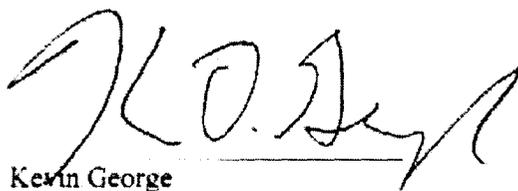
governments. Any such amendment shall be in writing. In the event of a conflict between this agreement and a future agreement regarding cooperation to facilitate assistance, this agreement shall prevail concerning the Peace Corps program.

#### ARTICLE IX

This agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature and shall remain in force until ninety days after the date of the written notification from either government to the other of its intention to terminate the agreement. This agreement supersedes the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Vanuatu on the Establishment of a Peace Corps Program in Vanuatu, signed October 2, 1989, which shall terminate upon entry into force of this agreement.

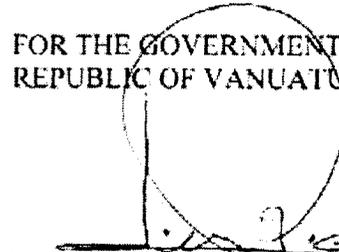
DONE in duplicate at Port Vila, Vanuatu on this 22nd day of July, 2008, in the English language.

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