
The Bangkok Metropolitan Administration, the Kingdom of Thailand and the Chengdu Municipal People’s Government, the People’s Republic of China (hereafter referred to as “The Parties”), acting in accordance with the spirit of the Joint Communiqué on the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between the Kingdom of Thailand and the People’s Republic of China on 1st July 1975, for the purpose of promoting mutual understanding and friendship between the Thai and Chinese peoples and consolidate exchanges and cooperation between the two cities, have agreed to establish Friendship City Relations.

1. The Parties will, within their authority financial and technical capabilities and to the extent permitted by the laws and regulations in force in their respective countries, cooperate with each other to promote mutual prosperity and development on the basis of the principles of equality and mutual benefit.

2. The Parties will cooperate with each other in the fields of economy, trade, investment, exhibition, expo industries, environmental protection, culture, tourism, education, sports, gastronomy, health care, youth activities, reciprocal visits of high level official delegations of both cities and people-to-people exchanges compatible with their respective Governments’ policies and international obligations.

3. The Parties will encourage their agencies concerned to strengthen regular contacts with each other for the cooperation under this Agreement and will also encourage exchange of visits between their officials.

4. The Parties will consult each other regarding the modalities and programmes of cooperation in implementation of this Agreement, by convening regular meetings at high-ranking level to discuss solutions to problems that may arise in the process, to monitor and evaluate the achievement of joint projects as well as to ensure concrete results and mutual benefit.

5. The International Affairs Division of Bangkok Metropolitan Administration and the Foreign and Overseas Chinese Affairs Office of the Chengdu Municipal People’s Government are the two coordination units responsible for facilitating dialogues, exchanges and cooperation on issues of common interest of both cities.
6. The Agreement will come into effect on the date of its signature by the Parties and will remain in effect for a period of five years. After five years, this agreement will remain for long-term in force, unless one Party gives to the other Party six months’ prior written notice of its intention to terminate the Agreement. In such a case, the activities and projects already in progress or executed shall not be affected.

Signed in Chengdu on 10th May 2017 in six original copies in the Chinese, Thai and English languages, all texts are of equal authenticity. In case of divergence, the English text shall prevail.

For the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration
The Kingdom of Thailand
Deputy Governor of Bangkok

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(Mr. Thaweesak Lertprapan)

For the Chengdu Municipal People’s Government
The People’s Republic of China
Mayor of Chengdu

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(Mr. Luo Qiang)

May 10, 2017