## Agreement

On the Establishment of Friendly Relations

Between

The Bangkok Metropolitan Administration,

The Kingdom of Thailand

and

The City of Porto,

The Republic of Portugal

Guided by mutual aspiration toward the strengthening of understanding and goodwill between their respective cities;

Taking into consideration the everlasting friendship and historical and cultural contacts between the peoples of Thailand and Portugal and the recent celebration of 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Thailand and Portugal;

The Bangkok Metropolitan Administration, the Kingdom of Thailand and the City of Porto, the Republic of Portugal (hereinafter referred to as "The Parties");

Have agreed as follows:

- 1. The Parties will, within their authority and to the extent permitted by the laws and regulations in force in their respective countries, cooperate with each other in the areas of cultural diversity, tourism promotion, economy, transportation management, environmental protection, education, sports, youth activities and people-to-people exchanges on the basis of equality and mutual benefit.
- 2. The Parties will encourage their agencies concerned to strengthen contacts with each other for the cooperation under this Agreement and will also encourage the exchange of visits between their officials.

3. The Parties will consult each other regarding the modalities and programmes of cooperation in implementation of this Agreement by convening regular meetings to monitor and evaluate the achievement of joint projects as well as to ensure concrete results.

4. The Agreement will come into effect on the date of its signature and will remain in effect unless one Party gives to the other Party six months' prior written notice of its intention to terminate the Agreement.

5. Amendments to the content of this Agreement shall be considered on the basis of mutual consent by the Parties upon written request by either Party. Any disputes arising out of the interpretation, application or implementation of any provision of the present Agreement shall be

settled amicably through consultation between the Parties.

Signed in Bangkok on 30 July 2016 in duplicate in Thai, Portuguese and English languages, all texts being of equal authenticity. In case of divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration
Kingdom of Thailand

(M.R. Sukhumbhand Paribatra)

Governor of Bangkok

For the City of Porto Republic of Portugal

(Mr. Rui de Carvalho de Araújo Moreira)

Mayor of Porto