

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
FOR  
A PARTNERSHIP  
TO ENHANCE DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION  
AND ACHIEVEMENT OF THE MILLENNIUM  
DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

**between**

**Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) of  
the People's Republic of China**

**and**

**Department for International Development (DFID) of the  
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**

The Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) of the People's Republic of China and the Department for International Development (DFID) of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, together called "the Participants"

1.1 In order to strengthen further their cooperation, and their common objective to work as "Partners for Growth", within the China-UK "Comprehensive Strategic Partnership", the Participants have agreed to explore practical means by which they can work collaboratively to achieve their common international development objectives to reduce poverty, and achieve the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

1.2 The Participants have decided that development cooperation between the two governments will, in the future, seek to make progress towards one or other of the following strategic objectives:

- To work together to achieve shared objectives on global development issues, including 'global public goods', which are of wider benefit to poverty reduction, and developing countries in general, around the world;
- To work together to achieve shared objectives on specific development issues which are of benefit to poverty reduction, and where all participants are supportive;

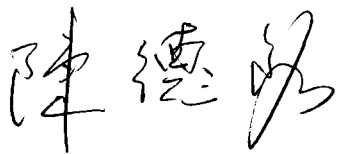
1.3 Specific sectors or issues for cooperation will be discussed and approved by the Participants, and their respective colleagues in other relevant parts of each government, as they arise. However, they will, in the first instance, explore possible cooperation in those sectors in which discussions suggest the Participants already share common objectives.

1.4 These sectors include health, climate change, water, agriculture and food security, natural resource management, reducing the risks and impacts of natural disasters, conflict prevention, trade, corporate social responsibility, education, and any other areas that the two governments deem appropriate.

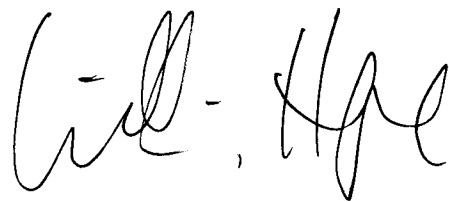
- 1.5 This Memorandum of Understanding does not prescribe the detail of any individual cooperation activity, each of which would need to be specifically approved with appropriate representatives from each government as they arise.
- 1.6 MOFCOM will oversee cooperation activities on behalf of the Chinese Government, and coordinate with relevant Chinese partner institutions being responsible for the implementation of cooperation activities under this Memorandum of Understanding.
- 1.7 DFID's contribution to activities will include technical expertise that it can draw on internally, or from external sources. DFID can also draw on its own financial resources, as necessary.
- 1.8 Any funds provided by DFID will meet the Official Development Assistance (ODA) criteria, as defined by the Development Assistance Committee (DAC) of the OECD and will be reported in accordance with the standards laid down in its Statistical Reporting Directives.
- 1.9 The Participants have also decided that they will hold an annual 'International Development Dialogue' at which they will review progress of activities falling within this MOU. Individual activities will also have their own discrete monitoring and evaluation mechanisms agreed through their respective design processes.
- 1.10 This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect when signed by both Participants. The Participants will be entitled to terminate and suspend this Memorandum of Understanding by giving six months written notice to the other Participant.

In witness whereof, the undersigned, acting on behalf of their respective governments have signed the present Memorandum of Understanding in two originals in the English language.

Signed in London on 27 June, 2011



For the Ministry of Commerce of  
the People's Republic of China



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