## Letter of Intent

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the Ministry of Industry and Commerce of the Republic of Paraguay and

the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Republic of China (Taiwan)

The Ministry of Industry and Commerce of the Republic of Paraguay (hereinafter referred to as "MIC") and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Republic of China (Taiwan) (hereinafter referred to as "MOFA"), hereinafter referred to collectively as "both parties", with the desire to strengthen the existing cordial relations between the two countries, acknowledge the mutual interest in making progress in the fields of industrial and technological human resources capacity building through cooperation in the establishment of a Taiwan-Paraguay Polytechnic University (hereinafter referred to as "TPPU"), a world class high level Technological University. Courses will be held in English, with Mandarin Chinese as an option in the future.

Both parties are determined to undertake efforts within the assignment of responsibilities as follows:

- Work together in order to formulate the TPPU at the earliest possible timing.
- The scope of cooperative activities of TPPU will be conducted in the fields agreed by both parties.
- Curricula elaboration for the following four degrees: a) Civil Engineering; b)
   Industrial Engineering; c) Mechanical and Electrical Engineering; d) Information
   Engineering.
- Establish a framework for joint financial support through further bilateral consultation, detailing the following topics:
  - *MIC shall provide for:* 
    - -Building and infrastructure facilities, where Taiwan's expert may play an advisory role to the MIC team in the elaboration of the Master Plan: Administrative, academic and laboratory areas
    - -Master Architectural plan: Architectural and structural design.
    - -Administrative Staff: recruitment, salary and other allowances
    - -Goods and Services for general functioning.

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- MOFA shall provide for:
  - -Planning and design of University curricula in the four above mentioned degrees.
  - -Mathematics professors from August 2018 to February 2019
  - -Other faculty members after the formal enrollment of TPPU starting March 2019 and necessary laboratory equipment for the four above mentioned degrees, where their source of funding will originate within the framework of bilateral cooperation program between the Republic of Paraguay and the Republic of China (Taiwan) 2018-2023.
  - -Recruitment, salary and other allowances for MOFA hired faculty members, as needed by the four above mentioned degrees, as well as mathematics.
- Exchange and internship program for the students of TPPU in Engineering Colleges of Taiwanese Universities, to replicate a dual system of learning.
- Encourage mutually beneficial educational activities involving researchers, students, faculty members, teachers, and other specialist to lecture, teach, conduct research, and develop cooperative programs.

This Letter of Intent is signed on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017, in two copies in English language.

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