

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION IN THE AREA OF PROTECTION AND RESCUE OF PEOPLE AND MATERIAL GOODS AGAINST NATURAL AND OTHER DISASTERS

between:

The Government of Republic of Macedonia* – Protection and Rescue Directorate (PRD)

And

Danish Emergency Management Agency (DEMA)

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The Government of the Kingdom of Denmark through the Danish Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) of the Ministry of Defence initiated Project «Cooperation in the area of protection and rescue of people and material goods against natural and other disasters». DEMA and The Government of Republic of Macedonian hereby sign the Memorandum of Understanding and Cooperation in the area of Civil Protection by which the Government of Republic of Macedonia – Protection and Rescue Directorate is provided for the following assistance:

- In coverage of the Republic of Macedonia participation in international (regional) activities in the area of protection and rescue;
- In building and strengthening capacities in carrying out operation of protection and rescue of people and material goods against natural or other disasters;
- As well as support in other activities which are subject of Memorandum and which are agreed by parties in interest.

* Denmark has recognized Macedonia - and Macedonia is a member of UN - as "Former Yougoslav Republic of Macedonia".

Beneficiary of provided assistance in Republic of Macedonia is the Protection and Rescue Directorate.

MODALITIES OF COOPERATION REGARDING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT

- 1) This Memorandum of Understanding and Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as MOUC) states:
 - a. Government of the Kingdom of Denmark as “donor”,
 - b. Danish Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) as “sender of assistance”,
 - c. Republic of Macedonia as “Country-assistance beneficiary”,
 - d. Government of Republic of Macedonia – Protection and Rescue Directorate and DEMAs as “parties in interest”,
 - e. Government of Republic of Macedonia – Protection and Rescue Directorate as “receiver and beneficiary of assistance”.
- 2) All activities will be implemented throughout cooperation between DEMAs and the Government of Republic of Macedonia – Protection and Rescue Directorate.
- 3) Projects will start in 2010 and continue until 2013 depending on annual funding from The Danish Defence Command’s programme for international security cooperation and depending on annual assessment of project outputs, which will be carried out by DEMAs.
- 4) Sum Total of the Project budget shall in 2010 amount 115.000 (one hundred and fifteen thousand) Euros, where 80% shall be funded by Government of Denmark and the remaining 20% by the “Country – beneficiary of assistance”, i.e. “receiver and beneficiary of assistance in Republic of Macedonia”. This amount of contribution can be specified in “in-kind” (not in money) through participation of human resources, premises for performance of activities, use of telecommunications and other logistics support on occasion of organizing training events in Republic of Macedonia. Project budgets for 2011, 2012 and 2013 will be stated each year according to funding.
- 5) Project of assistance to the Government of Republic of Macedonia in the area of protection and rescue shall include the following forms of assistance and support:

- a) Mediation for assistance and advocacy for strengthening the Civil Protection and rescue System.
- b) Donation of the software Program “ARGOS” for early warning about radiological and chemical hazards and assistance in installing and additional trainings of its usage;
- c) Donation of equipment for protection and rescue;
- d) Donation of software of risk and vulnerability assessment of natural and other disasters for planners both from the Government of Republic of Macedonia and neighboring countries;
- e) Donation and support to the school and training centre of The Protection and Rescue Directorate
- 6) Other forms of assistance may also be included subject to agreement between DEMA and the Government of Republic of Macedonia – Protection and Rescue Directorate.
- 7) Implementation of specified activities shall completely be in accordance with legal framework and stipulated defence and security policies of both parties in interest, as in the referred thematic sectors.
- 8) All activities shall be in accordance with the Danish Defense Commands annual “Programme for Bilateral Military Co-operation”.
- 9) This donation shall be duty free, VAT free, or freed from any other taxes prescribed by the domestic law of the beneficiary country.

TERMS OF AGREEMENT MADE BY DANISH EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (DEMA)

- 10) Danish Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) shall donate above stated technical means and equipment to the Government of Republic of Macedonia – Protection and Rescue Directorate under term that delivered donation shall exclusively be used to meet needs of the national system for emergency situations and civil security. In addition, donated means and equipment may not be sold, given or otherwise used for other purposes, for a period of eight (8) years without specific agreement by the donor.
- 11) DEMA retains right of supervision and inspection over implementation of MOUC in domain of distribution and use of donated means and equipment.

AIMED OUTPUTS

It is expected that the Project shall produce the following outputs:

- 12) *Output 1:* Strengthening of the vertical coordination (between institutions of the Government of Republic of Macedonia and all other participants in the national rescue and protection system)
- 13) *Output 2:* Government of Republic of Macedonia – Protection and Rescue Directorate, in addition to benefits of donations on requested means, equipment and software programmes for early warning, will improve and upgrade equipment and preparedness for actions in the case of natural and other disasters. In addition, it is expected successful solving of duty free procedures on means for civil protection dedicated to protection and rescuing.

FINAL PROVISIONS

This Memorandum shall enter into force on the date of its signature.

Amendments can be made with mutual written agreement of the Parties. This Memorandum may be terminated with written notification of either Party with 6 months in advance.

Obligations that are already preformed but not yet completed as of the date of termination of this Memorandum, shall be governed by its provisions until their full completion.

Any dispute of difference between the Parties arising from the implementation of this Memorandum shall be settled by negotiation between the Parties trough diplomatic channels.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the understanding, being duly authorized thereto, have signed this Memorandum.

Done in _____ this day of _____ 2010 in two originals in the Macedonian and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In the case of divergence between texts, the English text shall prevail.

For the
Government of Republic of Macedonia

For the
Danish Emergency Management Agency
