Cooperation Agreement

The Municipality of the City of Budapest (represented by Lord Mayor Dr. Gábor Demszky) and the Bangkok Government (represented by Governor Bhichit Rattakul) have the intention to promote their relationship in the field of city-policy, city-administration, culture, education, environmental protection and urban planning. For this reason, both sides agreed in the following cooperation:

- 1.
 Both sides are mutually interested in the development of the local government. They support the participation of the civil organizations and the citizens in the enforcement of the local democracy and they will exchange their relevant views and experience in order to develop the mutual understanding between the citizens of both cities.
- 2. Both sides will exchange their experience and views in all fields of city-administration, especially city-planning and city-development, housing policy, public transport including the development plan of the metro lines, waste water treatment and environmental protection. For this reason they will mutually and regularly accept experts of the other side for consultation purposes. The partners will agree the way of bearing the costs in each case separately.
- 3. Both sides will extend their cooperation in the field of culture, youth policy, professional training, sports, mass communication and the preservation of cultural heritage and other architectural values.
- 4. Both sides agreed to promote any forms of collaboration between the institutions of the local government and other non-governmental organizations acting in the sense of this cooperation agreement.

This cooperation agreement will come into force when duly signed. Budapest, 1997

Dr. Gábor Demszky Mayor of Budapest

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Bhichit Rattakul Governor of Bangkok