

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

the Pan African Youth Union

and

the Association of Non-Governmental Organizations

“National Youth Council of Russia”

on

Youth Cooperation

The Pan African Youth Union represented by the President Ms. Francine Muyumba, acting under the Charter, on the one side, and the National Youth Council of Russia, represented by the Chairperson Mr. Grigory Petushkov, acting under the Charter, on the other side,

considering the strengthening role of youth in socio-political activities and its strong-willed endeavor to participate in life of the society;

realizing the importance of international youth cooperation development between Russia and the African Union countries;

wishing to develop future forms of cooperation between youth organizations of Russia and youth organizations of the African Union countries in the field of youth policy,

recognizing that the development of cooperation between youth organizations is an important tool of enhancing mutual understanding and friendship between the countries,

have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

Combining information, organizational and other resources, the Parties develop their cooperation in the following areas:



1.1. Social inclusion of young people

- a. to ensure capacity building of youth organizations of Russia and youth organizations of the African Union countries;
- b. to promote youth participation in decision-making processes that affects them;
- c. to develop youth volunteer programs between Russia and the African Union countries;
- d. to disseminate information on current youth problems and negotiate conceptual approaches for resolving them;
- e. to encourage the participation of youth leaders, youth workers in international youth seminars, symposia, conferences held in their countries;

1.2. Intercultural dialogue and cultural diversity

- a. to develop intercultural dialogue and inter-ethnic unity among youth of Russia and youth organizations of the African Union countries through organizing multilateral projects;
- b. to stimulate the intercultural exchange through popularizing the culture and traditions of Russia and the African Union countries among youth;

1.3. Multilateral and multi-field cooperation

- a. to encourage the development and implementation of multilateral projects in the field of youth policy between Russia and the African Union countries;
- b. to stimulate the development of international youth cooperation among youth associations, students and post-graduate students, members of youth consultative structures, youth entrepreneurs, young journalist, young scientists, etc.;

- c. to expand humanitarian, business and cultural relations among young people, deepen cooperation in the field of scientific and technical creativity of youth;
- d. to promote exchange programs between experts including practically oriented exchange of views and experience of youth workers within the organization of bilateral internships;
- e. to stimulate the exchange of publications and information on the development of youth policy and youth work in Russia and in the African Union countries,
- f. to strengthen cooperation in the framework of international youth platforms;
- g. to promote the development of youth tourism and other directions of bilateral and multilateral youth cooperation.

ARTICLE 2

For the organization and operation of joint projects the Parties:

- 2.1. form the Annual Plan of youth projects in Russia and in the African region countries to be proposed for participation;
- 2.2. create the necessary working bodies (organizing committee, coordinating advisory councils and working groups), the composition and management of which are formed and approved by the agreement of the Parties;

The Memorandum shall not limit the right of the Parties to cooperate with other associations.

ARTICLE 3

The Memorandum is valid until such time when one Party gives notice of its intention to terminate it. Any dispute arising from performance of this Memorandum between both Parties shall be settled through friendly negotiation.



Done in New York City on January 31, 2017 in two copies in the English language.

On behalf of the Pan African Youth Union	On behalf of the National Youth Council of Russia 
Ms. Francine Muyumba President 	Mr. Grigory Petushkov Chairperson

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