

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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Terms and Conditions

Section I. Purpose

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is by and between the Commission on Decolonization (COD) and the Guam Economic Development Authority (GEDA). This memorandum outlines the understanding of roles and responsibilities for GEDA to provide COD with **a self-determination study**.

This award is made pursuant by the Department of Interior Technical Assistance Program Grant to the Commission on Decolonization. Funding obligations of the Sub-Grantee are contingent upon its receipt of any applicable territory and federal funds.

Section II. Budget, Method of Payment, Spending Limitations and Obligations of GEDA

- A. The GEDA project and budget period is approved for a term of four (4) months, specifically for the period **January 1, 2018 to April 30, 2018**.

Maximum compensation paid to the Sub-Grantee shall not exceed **\$120,000**.

\$40,000 of the funding will be paid upon the signing of this contract. The rest of the cost will be paid upon COD's receipt of deliverables.

- B. The Basic Agreement

COD has funding for a COD will retain full budget authority for the funding of a **self-determination study** in the amount of **\$120,000**.

GEDA will provide effective resources and services, which include but are not limited to administrative support, legal counsel, research, and professional services. COD commits to paying GEDA for the deliverable,

which is the **self-determination study**.

C. Scope of Services

GEDA will provide the following services in the development of the **self-determination study**:

a. Development of a Self-Governance Assessment for Guam Study and Report

GEDA shall develop and conduct a *Self-Governance Assessment for Guam* study that analyzes Guam's current political status as an unincorporated territory of the United States. A written report compiling the data and findings from the study shall be presented to the Commission. The report shall provide a complete political portrait of Guam in its current unincorporated territorial status and shall contain a detailed discussion of the ways in which Guam falls above or below the minimal standards for a non-self-governing territory.

In conducting the study, GEDA shall:

- i. Research and analyze Guam's current unincorporated territory status by reviewing all available literature and laws related to Guam and other territories, including but not limited to U.S. Government studies, U.S. legislation on the political status evolution of U.S. territories, and United Nations reports and resolutions;
- ii. Collect from Government of Guam agencies and relevant non-governmental organizations any data necessary to create a complete and in-depth portrait of Guam's current unincorporated status; and
- iii. Formulate indicators to establish and determine Guam's current level of self-governance relative to the standards mandated by the Charter of the United Nations, General Assembly Resolution No. 1514 (XV), *Declaration on the granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples* (14 Dec. 1960); and General Assembly Resolution No. 1521 (XV), *Establishment of a United Nations Capital Development Fund*(15Dec.1960). [See,Attachment A].

b. Development of Political Status Models

GEDA shall develop and prepare a draft model that discusses Guam's future under each of the three political status options (Statehood, Free Association, and Independence). The three models shall be based upon what Guam currently has in terms of resources, limitations and advantages, and it shall propose model frameworks of political, social, cultural and economic advancement

that are in line with Guam's realities and the direction represented by each political status option.

In preparing the draft models, GEDA shall use the data and research gathered in the *Self-Governance Assessment for Guam* study and report, as well as data and findings to be gathered from ten (10) academic studies which will be conducted by GEDA or its subcontractor based upon the following criteria:

- i. health care
- ii. tax
- iii. land worth
- iv. education
- v. debt
- vi. military
- vii. immigration
- viii. the economy
 1. tourism
 2. agriculture expansion
 3. oceanic resources
 4. EEZ zone
 5. Aqua culture
- ix. Infrastructure
 1. Renewable energy
 2. Water resources
 3. Desalinization
- x. climate change
- xi. marijuana legalization
- xii. unification of the Marianas
- xiii. cultural impacts

The 10 academic studies will be conducted by experts in their respective fields, whether located in Guam or elsewhere. Based on specific scenarios, the studies will provide concrete information on future realities and possibilities. The studies are intended to assist the task forces and COD in their educational outreach by providing statistics and data to support the various political status change positions.