Cultural Agreement

between

the Government of New Zealand t^{i}

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the Government of the

People's Republic of China

The Government of New Zealand and the Government of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties"),

WISHING to consolidate and strengthen the friendly ties between the two countries and reciprocal understanding between their peoples,

CONSCIOUS of the desirability of promoting to the greatest possible extent the mutual knowledge and understanding of their respective cultures and intellectual and artistic achievements by way of friendly cooperation between their respective countries,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

Objective

The objective of the Parties in concluding this Agreement is to broaden their knowledge of each other's civilisation and culture for the purpose of strengthening ties between their countries.

Article 2

Fields of Cooperation

The Parties shall encourage:

- (a) the study of the languages, literat^{*}ure, arts, culture and heritage, including those of indigenous groups, of each other's country;
- (b) the development of academic relations between their countries, including the exchange of study and lecture visits by specialists in relevant areas;
- (c) cooperation between museums, galleries, art centres, schools of art and performance, and any other institutions involved in promoting the objective of this Agreement;
- (d) cooperation in the field of literature and between libraries, including the exchange of books and other publications;
- (e) cooperation in the fields of press and publication, new media, broadcasting, film and television;
- (f) contacts and cooperation between sporting organisations of the two countries;

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- (g) enhanced contacts between organisations and cooperation in the field of tourism between the two countries;
- (h) the sharing of experience and the exchange of information in the fields of arts, culture and cultural heritage;
- the exchange of information concerning the management of archives and public records; and
- (j) any other forms of related cooperation as may be acceptable to the Parties or relevant institutions in both countries.

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Article 3

Implementing Arrangements

For the purpose of implementing this Agreement, the Parties, or implementing agencies to be designated by the Parties, shall, as agreed upon from time to time by both Parties, enter into Implementing Arrangements for specific periods.

Article 4

Levels of Cooperation

The Parties shall encourage the establishment of contacts and cooperation at various levels, including between governmental agencies and institutions, non-governmental institutions and organisations, and individuals in both countries in the fields covered by this Agreement, and shall encourage non-governmental cultural exchanges between the two countries.

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Article 5

Costs

Responsibility for costs of cooperation activities shall be addressed in the Implementing Arrangements.

Article 6

Disputes

The Parties shall resolve any dispute or difference between them as to the interpretation and implementation of this Agreement amicably through consultation or negotiation between the Parties.

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Amendments

The Parties may amend this Agreement by an agreement between the Parties through an Exchange of Notes. Amendments shall enter into force on the date of receipt of the last Note.

Article 8

Entry into Force

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature.

Article 9

Termination

Either Party may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving six months' written notice to the other Party. Cooperation activities commenced under Implementing Arrangements before this notice is given shall continue unaffected by the termination of this Agreement until their completion.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective Government, have signed this Agreement.

Done at <u>*Medington*</u> on this <u> 6^{+} </u> day of <u>April</u>, 2006, in duplicate, in the English and Chinese languages, each version being equally authentic.

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For the Government of New Zealand

For the Government of the People's Republic of China