Memorandum of Understanding on mutual cooperation
between
Azerbaijan National Library named after M.F.Akhundov
and
St. St. Cyril and Methodius National Library of Republic of Bulgaria

The Azerbaijan National Library named after M.F.Akhundov and the St. St. Cyril and Methodius National Library of Republic of Bulgaria, hereinafter referred as the "Parties". Aiming at the enlargement of the existing forms of cultural exchange and establishment of new conditions of direct cooperation in the field of librarianship have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1
The Parties carry on exchange of the library publications under jointly established criteria. The exchange is done on equivalence principle in the framework of a calendar year and it is unvalued. The Libraries are obligated to inform each other for the results of the exchange at the current year.

ARTICLE 2
The interlibrary loans between the sides are executed on the base of operative legislation in both countries and the existing international practice.

ARTICLE 3
The Parties promote the exchange of specialists in librarianship. The expenses during the exchange of specialists are subject to the appointing Party and receiving Party: the appointing Party will be responsible for the transportation expenses of the appointed persons and the receiving Party covers the expenses connected with the accommodation per diem. The receiving Party will assist in organizing and scheduling such tours.

ARTICLE 4
The Parties shall cooperate in the acquisition of their collections, compositions of bibliographies and information search of documents, concerning the two states.

ARTICLE 5
The Parties may exchange exhibitions on term of a manual Memorandum of Understanding, signed separately by the Directors of both libraries.

ARTICLE 6
The Parties are obliged to nominate persons entitled to represent the libraries in the realization of this Memorandum of Understanding.
ARTICLE 7
Any additions and amendments may be made to this Memorandum of Understanding by mutual consent of the Parties. Such additions and amendments shall be made in a form of separate Protocols being an integral part of this Memorandum of Understanding and shall enter into force in accordance with the provisions of Article 8.

ARTICLE 8
This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on the date of its signing.

This Memorandum of Understanding is concluded for a period of five years and shall remain in force automatically thereafter for the next five years unless either of the Parties at least six months in advance notifies the other Party in writing of its intention to terminate this Memorandum of Understanding.

Signed in Sofia on the 17th April 2015 in duplicate, each in Azerbaijani, Bulgarian and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For the Azerbaijan National Library named after M. F. Akhundov

For the St. St. Cyril and Methodius National Library of Republic of Bulgaria