MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("MOU")

BETWEEN

THE AZERBAIJAN NATIONAL LIBRARY

AND

THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA,
ON BEHALF OF ITS LOS ANGELES CAMPUS ("UCLA")

The Azerbaijan National Library and UCLA are linked by common academic interests and, as such, are contemplating the possibility of developing collaborations and exchanges in fields of shared interest and expertise. The activities undertaken pursuant to this MOU are based on a spirit of cooperation and reciprocity that is intended to be of mutual benefit to The Azerbaijan National Library and UCLA.

1. Purpose

This MOU serves as a written understanding of agreed upon principles between The Azerbaijan National Library and UCLA concerning a set of general academic objectives.

This is a non-binding agreement and is intended to clarify the nature and extent of the complementary activities that might be undertaken for the mutual benefit of the parties. Each party will be responsible for managing its own costs.

Commitments of specific resources, personnel, space, facilities, or any other academic or intellectual activities may be contemplated by the parties, but are beyond the scope of this MOU.

To the extent that the implementation of any agreed upon activity requires a commitment of resources, personnel, credit-bearing coursework, or intellectual property, a supplementary agreement must be negotiated and approved by the parties before work on any of the projects can commence.

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2. **Objectives, Scope, and Major Activities**

Both parties agree to encourage the development of the following types of activities:

- Visits and informal exchanges of faculty, scholars and administrators in specific areas of education, research and outreach.
- Organization of joint conferences, symposia, or other scientific meetings on subjects of mutual interest.
- Exchange of academic information and materials.

3. **Responsibilities of the Parties**

Each party shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws, regulations and such party’s policies.

The parties recognize that the implementation of any agreed upon activity will depend upon the interests and expertise of the individuals involved and the availability of financial resources, space and other resources. Accordingly, the implementation of any exchange, affiliation, collaboration and/or other cooperative program based on this MOU shall be separately negotiated and documented in a writing signed by the parties.

Each party will appoint a coordinator ("Coordinator") to facilitate the activities contemplated by this MOU. The UCLA Coordinator is Sharon E. Farb, Associate University Librarian. The Azerbaijan National Library Coordinator is Dr. Karim Tahirov, Director, The Azerbaijan National Library.

4. **Duration and Option to Amend, Extend or Terminate**

This MOU will become effective when signed by the parties. The MOU will remain in effect for five (5) years from the Effective Date, below, and may be renewed or amended by mutual written agreement of the parties. Either party may terminate this MOU at any time by providing written notice of such termination to the other party. The parties agree to periodically review the activities undertaken and the progress made and to consult concerning amendments, renewal or termination of this MOU.

5. **General Terms**

This MOU is not intended to, and does not create any right, benefit, or trust responsibility, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or equity, by either party, its officers, employees, or agents against the other party, its officers, employees, or agents.

Nothing in this MOU obligates either party to commit or transfer any funds, assets, or other resources in support of projects or activities between the parties.

Neither party will use the name of the other, either expressly or by implication, in any public statement, press release, publicity, solicitation or advertisement without the prior written approval of the other party, which may be granted or withheld in the other party’s absolute discretion.
6. **Signatures**

This MOU shall enter into force when fully-executed by qualified representatives of each party, as of the date of the last signature (the "Effective Date").

**The Regents of the University of California**

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