Memorandum of Understanding
Between Seoul Metropolitan Government, Republic of Korea
And Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, USA

Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as MOU) dated as of November 11, 2003, between Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (hereinafter referred to as VT) and Seoul Metropolitan Government (hereinafter referred to as SMG)

1. Purpose
   i) The purpose of this MOU is to set out the terms and conditions under which VT shall provide overseas graduate education programs to the public officers of SMG. The overseas graduate education for selected public officials (hereinafter referred to as students) of SMG will be developed through mutual cooperation between VT and SMG.
   ii) This MOU is intended to promote mutual cooperation between VT and SMG to eventually help present solutions to SMG’s urban problems.

2. Education and Training Assistance
   i) SMG shall provide financial support and VT shall provide support services to enable students to complete their program successfully. Admission of students shall be based on graduate admissions requirements defined by VT.
   ii) VT shall provide SMG graduate admission requirements of students, and based on the information, SMG shall select candidate students who meet the level of proficiency in English approved by VT and recommend those candidate students to VT. VT shall approve admission for those students recommended by SMG.

3. Tuition
   SMG shall provide tuition for participating students. VT shall provide a 10 percent cost reduction for English language courses provided through the English Language Institute.

4. Housing
   VT shall give priority to students from SMG in terms of getting on-campus housing and dormitory places.

5. Points of Contact
   Points of contact for regular and irregular consultations shall be the Personnel Management Division of SMG and the Director of the Graduate Student Support and International Admissions with the VT Graduate School.

6. Supervision of Students
   Students shall observe the regulations of VT and VT shall provide support services to
help them complete their programs successfully.

7. Mediation

Unsettled details shall be mediated and fixed by means of mutual consultations.

8. Termination

The term of this MOU shall be for two years commencing on the day signed below and shall be automatically renewed for successive further terms of two years. Either party may decide to end the MOU at any time upon 60 days' written notice to the other party. If either party decides to terminate this MOU, it will not affect the training of students currently enrolled.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the duly authorized signatories of the respective parties hereof have signed the present MOU. This MOU is made and executed on the 13th day of November 2003 in duplicate in English in the same tenor and SMG keeps one copy and VT keeps the other.

The provisions of this MOU are hereby agreed to and acknowledged by:

On behalf of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Charles W. Steger
President of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

(Signature)  

On behalf of Seoul Metropolitan Government

Lee, Myung Bak
Mayor of Seoul

Lee Ki-In
(Signature)  

(Date)  

Lee Hoon Il
(Signature)  

(Date)