## DECLARATION OF INTENT

between

THE FLEMISH MINISTER OF CULTURE AND BRUSSELS AFFAIRS

and

THE MINISTER OF ARTS, CULTURE, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

HEREAFTER referred to as "the Parties" :

CONSIDERING the Declaration of Intent between the Government of Flanders and the Government of the Republic of South Africa, signed in Pretoria on 4 November 1994;

CONSIDERING the special relationship between Flanders and South Africa in the fields of history, language and culture;

CONSIDERING the wish of the Parties to strengthen the friendly ties between both countries and the understanding between their citizens in the fields within their competence;

CONVINCED that friendly cooperation in the field of arts and culture promotes mutual knowledge and understanding of their respective cultures and stimulates intellectual and artistic achievements;

CONSIDERING the will of both Parties to harmonise this cooperation with the Reconstruction and Development Programme (RDP) of the Government of the Republic of South Africa;

BOTH PARTIES, IN THIS DECLARATION OF INTENT, UNDERTAKE AS FOLLOWS:

- To promote mutual understanding between both countries, cooperation between the Parties in the fields of arts, culture and youth work shall be encouraged and promoted, with respect to the different linguistic groups and for the purpose of developing a multicultural and tolerant society.
- 2. To achieve this goal, the Parties could inter alia encourage cooperation in the following fields:
  - (a) cooperation between institutions and organisations, the granting of scholarships, exchanges of individuals and the exchanging of information;
  - (b) cooperation in the field of youth work, including direct contacts between the youth of both countries based on direct contact between youth organisations and institutions involved in youth activities;
  - (c) cooperation in various cultural fields of mutual interest, including literature, exhibitions of arts and crafts, music, dance theatre, exchanges of literary works and other publications, cooperation between educational institutions, libraries and other cultural institutions;
  - (d) all other forms of cooperation in the fields of arts, culture and youth work mutually agreed upon between the Parties.

- 3. Both Parties shall encourage the exchange of knowledge, experience and achievements in the fields of arts, culture and youth work.
- 4. The Parties shall encourage contacts and cooperation: between institutions, organisations and individuals working in both countries in the above-mentioned fields who wish to be involved in the process of the reconstruction and development of South Africa.
- 5. Both Parties shall appoint competent contact persons in their Administration for the purpose of implementing the intentions of this Declaration.

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