MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION

BETWEEN

THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICE SUPPORT

OF THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND]

AND

[THE COMMERCE AND SERVICE INDUSTRY POLICY GROUP

OF THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMY, TRADE AND INDUSTRY

OF JAPAN]

ON STRENGTHENING THE PROMOTION OF INVESTMENTS IN HEATHCARE AND WELLNESS SECTORS IN THAILAND

ITEM 1 Objective

The objective of this Memorandum of Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as "this Memorandum") is to strengthen the promotion of investments in healthcare and wellness industries in Thailand through establishment of the "Thailand-Japan Policy Dialogue of Healthcare and Wellness Industry (hereinafter referred to as the "Dialogue") and implementation of technical cooperation in order to emerge and enhance collaboration between both countries in both public and private sectors. This Memorandum does not create any legally binding rights or obligations upon the Department of Health Service Support of the Ministry of Public Health of the Kingdom of Thailand, and the Commerce and Service Industry Policy Group of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry of Japan (hereinafter referred to individually as a "side" and collectively as "both sides") and does not constitute an international agreement. All differences arising out of this Memorandum will be resolved amicably and in good faith through discussions and friendly negotiations without referral to any third party for settlement.

ITEM 2 Scope

This Memorandum covers the following matters aiming to achieve objectives mentioned in ITEM 1 through such means as the Dialogue and individual projects by involving relevant organizations and the private sector of both sides.

- (1) Both sides will share experiences and exchange information on technologies, research, human resources, means and the like regarding policies, laws and regulations in the healthcare and wellness field in both Thailand and Japan, through such means as the Dialogue and individual projects.
- (2) Both sides may cooperate on seminars, research, capacity building and other activities in the healthcare and wellness field.

ITEM 3 Dialogues

Both sides will establish the Dialogue to share the matters mentioned in ITEM 2

- (1) Both sides will hold the Dialogue in Thailand and in Japan, or online, in principle annually.
- (2) Before the Dialogue, both sides will consult on specific topics and other relevant matters for the Dialogue.
- (3) Both sides are able to invite relevant participants from other government organizations, private entities, academic specialists and the like of their own country as necessary.
- (4) The Dialogue will be co-chaired by Director Generals of the both sides, in principle.

ITEM 4 Correspondence

All notice and information exchange under this Memorandum will be written in English and addressed to the following responsible participants and their contact points as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICE SUPPORT, THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH 88/44 Soi 8, Tambon Talat Khwan, AmPhoe Mueng, Nonthaburi, Thailand

THE COMMERCE AND SERVICE INDUSTRY POLICY GROUP, THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMY, TRADE AND INDUSTRY Kasumigaseki 1-3-1 Chiyoda-Ku, Tokyo, Japan

ITEM 5 Revisions

The responsible participants designated may revise this Memorandum by mutual consent.

ITEM 6 Duration

This Memorandum will commence on the date of signature thereof and will continue in operation for a period of three (3) years and may be extended thereafter by mutual consent, unless either side notifies the other side in writing of its intention to discontinue this Memorandum six (6) months in advance.

Signed in duplicate, on 28 February, 2024 in the English language.

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