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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN AZERBAIJAN NATIONAL LIBRARY AND THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF ROMANIA

Inspired by a common desire to develop and promote bilateral cooperation in the field of written culture, while contributing to the further strengthening the friendly relations between the two countries and desiring to develop cultural cooperation between Romania and Azerbaijan, in accordance with national legislations,

National Library of Romania, public cultural institution under the Romanian Ministry of Culture, with the headquarters situated in 22, Unirii Blvd. 030833, Sector 3, Bucharest, Romania,

and

Azerbaijan National Library, public cultural institution under the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Azerbaijan, with the headquarters in Khagani 29, Baku, AZ1000, Azerbaijan,

hereinafter referred to as "Partners", agreed that:

Article 1. SUBJECT

The main goal of this Memorandum of Understanding is to establish the framework of cooperation between the two libraries, considering that one of their mutual objectives is to support, promote and make the most of their national written culture by use of their distinctive professional means in national and international context.

Article 2. OBJECTIVES

In accordance with article 1, the objectives of this Memorandum of Understanding are:

- 1. Developing international book exchange in accordance with the Convention concerning the International Exchange of Publications, adopted at the General Conference of UNESCO (Paris, 1958);
- 2. The mutual support and joint actions for promoting international projects in the field of written culture;
- 3. Bilateral cultural, scientific and professional exchanges in the field of written culture.

The details of intended common activities to be carried out pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding will be included in subsequent documents concluded between the Partners.

Article 3. MANAGEMENT

The management of this Memorandum of Understanding will be provided, according to its objectives and clauses, by:

- Carmen Mihaiu, General Director, National Library of Romania
- Professor Karim Tahirov, Director, Azerbaijan National Library

Article 4. FINAL CLAUSES

This Memorandum of Understanding is concluded with the view to enhancing and developing cooperation between the Partners and does not constitute an agreement binding upon the States of the Partners under international law. No provision of this Memorandum of Understanding will be interpreted and implemented as creating legal commitments for the Partners.

This Memorandum of Understanding will become effective upon signature by both Partners.

If required, the Partners may make additions and amendments to this Memorandum of Understanding on the basis of written consent by concluding additional documents to this Memorandum of Understanding.

This Memorandum of Understanding will remain in force for a period of five years, unless one of the Partners notifies the other, in writing, of its intention to terminate it. The termination will occur within one month from the date the notification is received by the other Partner. After the expiry date, if the case may be, the partners may renew the Memorandum of Understanding, by signing another agreement.

This Memorandum of Understanding does not entail any financial implications for the Partners.

Signed in November 2020, in two original copies, in Azerbaijani, Romanian and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of differences of interpretation, the English version will prevail.

AZERBAIJAN NATIONAL LIBRARY

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF ROMANIA

Professor Karim TAHIROV

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