MEMORANDUM OF FRIENDLY TALKS BETWEEN THE CITY OF JOONDALUP, AUSTRALIA AND THE CITY OF JINAN, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Between 20th and 24 September 2001, a friendly delegation led by John Bombak JP, the Mayor of Joondalup, Australia, and officials from Edith Cowan University paid a visit to the City of Jinan, Shandong, China. Cordial discussions were held between Mayor Xie Yutang, City of Jinan, and the Australian delegation on the basis of mutual benefit and equality.

On the 11th January 2002, a return delegation led by Mr Sun Changyin, Chairman of the Jinan Municipal Political People's Consultative Committee, paid a visit to the City of Joondalup. The delegation toured Joondalup's Learning Precinct incorporating Edith Cowan University, the Western Australian Police Academy and the West College of TAFE (Technical and Further Education). A formal luncheon was hosted for the delegation by Mayor Bombak JP during which a Memorandum of Friendly Talks was concluded with both parties being supportive of:

- Actively promoting friendly relations between the two Cities and strengthening the understanding and friendship that will, when appropriate, lead to a more formal agreement between the two Cities.
- Strengthening and deepening education cooperation as the key basis of the relationship with the view to further widening cooperation, when appropriate, in the areas of science and technology, tourism, investment and other business opportunities.
- Facilitating the exchange of delegations between the two Cities among business and community groups with the arrangement of invitations, where this is necessary, for the official travel documentation of the party involved.
- Formal communication being conducted through the Foreign Affairs Office in the City of Jinan and through the Office of the Mayor in the City of Joondalup.

This memorandum is in duplicate in both Chinese and English and a copy is kept by each signatory.

Signed by:

Mr Sun Changyin Representative of City of Jinan

Mayor John Bombak JP Representative of City of Joondalup

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Date: September 27, 2003

Honorable Mr. Don Carlos,

We're very glad to notify you that Chinese Friendship Association with Foreign Countries has formally approved the establishment of the twincity relationship between Jinan and Joondalup.

As is known to you, the relationship between Jinan and Joondalup can be traced back to the educational exchanges. We have dispatched two official delegations in August, 2000 and January 2002 to visit Joondalup. During the two visits, we signed two memorandums individually. At the same time, we were also very honored to host a delegation headed by the former mayor John Bombak.

Jinan and Joondalup have established good relationship during the several years' exchanges. In view of the above case, we wonder if it is possible for our two sides to sign a formal protocol next year on the establishment of friendly relationship between the two cities. If it is possible, we will be very honored to invite you to head a 7 to 8 persons' delegation to visit Jinan. The delegates could be officials and personages from education and trade circles. The costs of this delegation will be borne by us. We sincerely hope that we could take advantage of this chance to sign the formal protocol, to expand our cooperative field and to seek cooperative opportunities in the fields of economy, tourism, technology, etc.

Our official website is www.iinan.gov.cn, on which you could find the basic information about Jinan. We will be glad to provide any further information that you may require.

Your early reply will be highly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Li Zhongxue

Director of Jinan Foreign Affairs Office