MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
OF REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA AND
THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO

In an effort to establish inter-parliamentary ties and to improve the level of cooperation between the administration services of the two parliaments, the Secretary General of the National Assembly of Republic of Bulgaria and the Secretary General of the Assembly of Republic of Kosovo, having obtained the consent of both Speakers of Parliaments, hereby affirm the will to stimulate bilateral cooperation in the following spheres:

1. Twinning of administration service sectors of both parliaments;

2. Cooperation between the media and public relation services, including access of media in the Assembly facilities, access of the public (citizens) in Assembly endeavours, as well as between the respective publication sectors;

3. Cooperation between the relevant services for Protocol and International Relations, including: advancement of protocol rules and practices, organization of inter-parliamentary conferences and inclusion of information technology in this sphere;

4. Mutual exchange of experience and information, through study-visits of officials to the respective parliaments;

5. Organization of common activities, services and projects with various international institutions and donors;

6. Cooperation in other matters of reciprocal interest for both parliaments.

Both parties hereby agree on the necessity to maintain contacts between their administrations and confirm their readiness to exchange experts, bilaterally or through other structures, as part of the cooperation and in accordance with the financial plans of the respective assembly’s.
This agreement does not imply and financial commitments by any signatory party to the memorandum, however, both administrations approve its support.

This memorandum shall enter into force immediately. It may be amended at any time with the consent of both parties, and its accomplishment shall be periodically reviewed.

This Memorandum of Understanding is entirely recommendable in nature. It does not establish any legal obligation for the signatory parties.

The senior representatives of both parliaments have agreed to sign this Memorandum of Understanding in Prishtina, Republic of Kosovo, on 20th March 2012.

Secretary General of the Assembly of Kosovo

Ismet Krasniqi

Secretary General of the National Assembly of Bulgaria

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