

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**ON FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL COOPERATION**  
BETWEEN  
THE WALLOON GOVERNMENT, KINGDOM OF BELGIUM  
AND  
THE AICHI PREFECTURAL GOVERNMENT, JAPAN


The Walloon Government of the Kingdom of Belgium, and the Aichi Prefectural Government of Japan (hereafter “the parties”), hereby express their sincere desire to establish a relationship with the goals of encouraging friendship and increasing prosperity in both regions, and contributing to further development of favorable relations between the Kingdom of Belgium and Japan, pursuant to the prevailing laws and regulations of the respective countries, based on the following upon the principle of equality and mutual benefit.

- I. The parties will strive to establish a close friendship based on respect and mutual trust.
- II. In the interest of the development of both regions, the parties will cooperate in various fields, taking advantage of each region’s specialties, as are recognized to be mutually beneficial.
- III. In the interest of the development of both regions, the parties will work to promote private-sector exchange in a wide range of areas including economic exchange.

This memorandum of understanding is solely an expression of the parties’ desire to establish a mutually beneficial relationship and creates no legally binding rights or obligations.

Signed in Brussels on May 15, 2017, in recognition of the above articles.

Two original copies of this memorandum will be made in English.



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