MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

THE MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL

AND

THE CHICO MENDES INSTITUTE FOR BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AND

THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF THREATENED PARROTS AND

THE PAIRI DAIZA S.A. AND PAIRI DAIZA FOUNDATION ON THE SPIX'S MACAW REINTRODUCTION PROJECT

The Ministry of the Environment of the Federative Republic of Brazil, the Chico Mendes Institute for Biodiversity Conservation, the Association for the Conservation of Threatened Parrots and the Pairi Daiza S.A. and Pairi Daiza Foundation;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the common objectives between the Parties to assist the reintroduction of the Spix's Macaw (*Cyanopsitta spixsii*) in its natural habitat;

CONSIDERING the establishment of Spix's Macaw Wildlife Refuge, in the municipality of Curaçá, Bahia State, Brazil, by the National Decree 9402 of June 5th, 2018;

SEEKING TO IMPLEMENT the Memorandum of Understanding of July 17, 2016, which promotes cooperation for the reintroduction of the Spix's Macaw in its natural habitat;



Hereinafter collectively referred to as the Parties, and individually as Party, agree to celebrate the present Memorandum of Understanding on the Spix's Macaw Reintroduction Project, in accordance with the Brazilian law, whenever applicable, as well as the following:

SECTION I OBJECT

The present Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) reinforces the partnership to integrate the experiences of the institutions involved, combines technical efforts and promotes cooperation for the reintroduction of the Spix's Macaw in their natural habitat, in accordance to the Spix's Macaw Action Plan and its captive breeding program.

SECTION II OBJECTIVES

Notwithstanding that in the future the Parties may identify new issues to agree upon, this MoU will seek to:

- a) Build and implement a release facility for Spix's Macaw breeding and reintroduction;
- b) Transfer a sufficient number of specimens in order to initiate the breeding and reintroduction in Brazil;
- c) Reintroduce and monitor the Spix's Macaw in its natural habitat; and
- d) Implement the Spix's Macaw Wildlife Refuge.

SECTION III PROCEDURES

FIRST PARAGRAPH. The following Parties will seek to:

Subparagraph I - The Ministry of the Environment of Brazil (MMA):



a) Support the implementation of the Spix's Macaw Wildlife Refuge, in the municipality of Curaçá, Bahia State, Brazil, through the integration of policies and programs developed by MMA within its competence.

Subparagraph II - The Chico Mendes Institute for Biodiversity Conservation (ICMBio):

- a) Implement of the Spix's Macaw Refugee, in the municipality of Curaçá, Bahia State, Brazil, within its competence;
- b) Assist the transferring of Spix's Macaw individuals, object of this MoU, under the captive breeding program.

Subparagraph III - Association for the Conservation of Threatened Parrots (ACTP):

- a) Support the construction and operation of the Reintroduction and Breeding Facility in the municipality of Curaçá, Bahia State, Brazil, providing financial resources and designating respective staff. Once the land is made available to ACTP by contract, ACTP will ensure access to and use of the reintroduction land and all of its facilities for the activities related to the reintroduction and conservation of the Spix's Macaw for a period of no less than 5 years; and
- b) Prepare and transfer a sufficient number of specimens to the Reintroduction and Breeding Facility in the municipality of Curaçá, Bahia State, Brazil, in 2019, in order to initiate the breeding and reintroduction in Brazil, considering and without prejudice to any other agreement previously signed with ICMBio.

Subparagraph IV - Pairi Daiza S.A. and Pairi Daiza Foundation:

- a) Construct a state-of-the-art Spix's Macaw breeding facility in Belgium following the highest standards, including fully equipped nursery and clinic;
- b) Support the construction and operation of the Reintroduction and Breeding Facility in the municipality of Curaçá, Bahia State, Brazil, providing financial resources and designating respective staff, and use of the reintroduction land and all of its facilities for the activities related to the reintroduction and conservation of the Spix's Macaw for a period of no less than 5 years;



- c) Assist in the preparation and transfer of a sufficient number of specimens to the Reintroduction and Breeding Facility in the municipality of Curaçá, Bahia State, Brazil, in 2019, in order to initiate the breeding and reintroduction in Brazil, considering and without prejudice to any other agreement previously signed with ICMBio;
- d) Transfer future offspring, following Studbook recommendations, in order to initiate the breeding and reintroduction in Brazil; and
- e) Support the Spix's Macaw reintroduction in its natural habitat, in the municipality of Curaçá, Bahia State, Brazil, providing financial resourses.

SECOND PARAGRAPH. This MoU does not establish any immediate obligation for the Parties, but solely indicates the objectives of the partnership.

THIRD PARAGRAPH. The decision to discontinue cooperation by any of the Parties at any time before the signature of the Cooperation Agreement will not implicate in any obligations to compensate another Party for any expenditures they may have incurred due to this MoU.

SECTION IV FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The present MoU does not establish any transfer of funds among the Parties.

SECTION V LEGAL OBSERVATION

The present MoU will not affect international or national obligations of the Parties and does not exempt the Parties from obtaining the necessary authorizations, permits, licenses, and any other required legal instrument.

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SECTION VI PUBLICITY

FIRST PARAGRAPH. The information produced by the cooperation activities under the present MoU is subject to the Brazilian law pertaining to the species, as applicable.

SECOND PARAGRAPH. The publicity of actions resulting from cooperation under the present Memorandum, including printed material and any communication material, shall include credits to the Parties, preserving their respective institutional images.

Since the foregoing represents the understanding reached between Parties, the signatories sign this Memorandum of Understanding.

Signed in Berlin, Germany, on June 28th, 2018.

Minister Edson Duarte

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