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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

BETWEEN

THE AFRICAN CENTRE OF METEOROLOGICAL APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT (ACMAD)

AND

UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI (UoN)

Preamble

Climate monitoring and forecasting has been accorded the highest priorities in several countries in Africa. The regional climate outlook forum (RCOF) consensus forecast is currently a planning and management tool for several countries in Africa. The Pre-RCOF training workshop is traditionally dedicated to forecasts verifications, models downscaling and applications of climate prediction tools in seasonal climate forecasting.

Conscious of the importance of Climate Early Warning of an impending event such as drought, the African States created, under the aegis of the UNECA and WMO, the African Centre of Meteorological Applications for Development (ACMAD). In this respect ACMAD has maintained regional climate watch to assist member states to:

- a) Ensure that climate early warning is an integrated part in Disaster Risks Reduction DRR,
- b) Establish comprehensive mitigation strategies to reduce vulnerability,
- c) Interpret and communicate climate information products in an easily understandable manner and make them accessible to the decision makers at continental, regional, national and local levels in a timely manner,
- d) Enhance national development through mainstreaming climate information to the rural communities by incorporating new and existing systems such as TV, Radio, Mobile Phones, Internet, RANET and EUMETCAST/DEVCOCAST climate disaster risk reduction (DRR).

Recalling that the African Centre of Meteorological Applications for Development (ACMAD) hereby designated as Continental Implementing Centre (CIC) and beneficiary under the MESA THEMA on Climate Services for Disaster Risks Reduction (DRR) in Africa,

Considering that the "University of Nairobi (UoN)" is a Public University hereby designated as Co-beneficiary,

