

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE REPUBLIC OF GUATEMALA**

EXTENSION 2007

REVISED ARTICLE II

- A. The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Guatemala shall undertake efforts to publicize this Memorandum of Understanding and the reasons for it.
- B. The Government of the United States of America shall use its best efforts to provide technical support to the Republic of Guatemala in archaeological heritage management, border security, and other preventive activities, as appropriate through available programs in the public and/or private sectors.
- C. Both Governments shall continue to engage academic institutions, non-governmental institutions and other private organizations in the dissemination and appreciation of knowledge about the cultural patrimony of the Republic of Guatemala, and to collaborate in the protection of such cultural patrimony through appropriate management, conservation, and public awareness efforts.
- D. The Government of the Republic of Guatemala shall use its best efforts to facilitate the exchange of its archaeological objects and materials under circumstances that do not jeopardize its cultural patrimony, such as temporary loans for exhibition purposes and scientific examination.
- E. The Government of the Republic of Guatemala shall continue collaborating with communities to reduce the incentive for looting of archaeological sites through monitoring and enforcement of existing laws.
- F. The Government of the Republic of Guatemala shall continue its progress on the registration of all known archaeological materials in the country, and vigorously promote compliance by private collectors with the national law requiring registration.
- G. The Government of the Republic of Guatemala is encouraged to seek ways to mitigate damage to archaeological sites and monuments by reducing the use of fire and the presence of livestock in protected areas, as well as non-destructive and sustainable methods of using archaeological resources for economic benefit.
- H. The Government of the Republic of Guatemala shall continue to play a leadership role within the Central American Region for the protection of the cultural patrimony of the region; and seek cooperation in protecting its cultural property with other countries that have a significant import trade in Guatemalan archaeological artifacts.
- I. In advance of the expiration of the five-year period of this Memorandum of Understanding, the Government of the Republic of Guatemala shall undertake an assessment with regard to improvements in broad areas such as law enforcement, cultural resource management, education, conservation, research, and the national museum system.