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- 7. You agree to notify the Foundation of any facts or circumstances of which you become aware that would make these representations inaccurate in any respect.
- 8. Dispute Resolution. The Parties shall attempt in good faith to negotiate a settlement to any dispute arising between them out of or in connection with this Agreement within 30 business days of the dispute arising.

Unless otherwise agreed, all negotiations connected with the dispute and any settlement shall be conducted in confidence and without prejudice to the rights of the Parties in any future proceedings.

If the Parties reach agreement on the resolution of the dispute, the agreement shall be reduced to writing and shall be binding on the Parties once it is signed by both the Corporation and the Foundation.

If the Parties fail to reach agreement within 60 Business Days of the initiation of the mediation, or such longer period as may be agreed by the Parties, then any dispute or difference between them may be referred to the courts

## 9. General.

- a) For the purposes of clarity this Agreement constitutes a contract for the grant of license and not a contract of employment.
- b) No waiver by either party of any of its rights under this Agreement shall release the other party from full performance of its other obligations stated herein.
- c) Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to constitute, evidence or comprise a partnership between the parties or to constitute either party the agent of the other.
- d) Neither party may assign its rights under this Agreement in whole or in part to any person, firm or company without the prior written agreement of the other party.
- e) No amendment, waiver, or variation, of this Agreement, whether in whole or in part, shall be binding on the parties unless set out in writing and signed by or on behalf of the parties by their duly authorised representatives.
- f) If any provision of this Agreement is held by a competent authority to be illegal, invalid, or unenforceable, whether in whole or in part, the validity of the remainder of the relevant provision and the remaining provisions shall not be affected or prejudiced.
- g) Each party shall, at its own cost and expense, from time to time do or procure the execution of all documents as may be reasonably necessary in order to give effect to the provisions of this Agreement.

Signed on behalf of The Foundation
Name:
Signature:
Title:
Date: