LETTER OF INTENT BETWEEN THE SECRETARIAT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF COLORADO OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The Secretariat of Public Education of the United Mexican States and the government of the State of Colorado of the United States of America, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties",

CONSIDERING:

The historical and cultural affinities that exist between Mexico and Colorado;

That the Hispanic population is of vital importance to the State of Colorado;

The importance of a well-educated populous; and

That both Parties are in the threshold of a new era that will bring closer ties of friendship and cooperation between each other.

Convene as follows:

- Establish relationships based on improving levels of student achievement in both countries:
- Provide to the student population with options to learn about various cultures, that may include opportunities to study abroad
- Improve communication channels between both Parties for the purpose of improving the educational system, as well as teacher training, cultural understanding and student achievement; and
- Explore innovative joint projects that enable teachers to participate in each others schools for the purpose of increasing student development; and
- The Parties shall formalize a joint agreement in the future to ensure the cooperation activities describes above.

Signed in Mexico City on September 20th of one thousand nine hundred and ninety nine, in the Spanish and English languages, both texts being equally authentic.

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