

Agreement

on the

Establishment of Relations of Friendship

between

The City of Hangzhou
of the
People's Republic of China

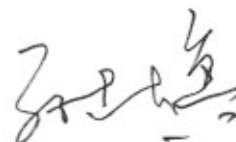
and

The City of Cape Town
of the
Republic of South Africa

1. The people of China and of South Africa have cherished a long-standing and traditional friendship with each other. The establishment of diplomatic relations between South Africa and the Peoples Republic of China on 1 January 1998, the establishment of the Bi-National Commission and the various agreements of co-operation between our respective countries have provided a basis for the formation of friendly relations between our two cities.
2. In response to the common desire of their respective people and as a result of mutual consultations, the City of Hangzhou of the People's Republic of China and the City of Cape Town of the Republic of South Africa have decided to establish relations of friendship, with a view to promoting understanding and friendship and enhancing the development of our two cities.
3. Acting upon the principle of equality and mutual benefit, the two sides will promote in diverse ways extensive exchanges and co-operation in the fields of the economy, trade, tourism, arts and culture, science and technology, city management and development.
4. In order to constantly strengthen the friendly ties between the City of Hangzhou and the City of Cape Town the leaders of the two cities will carry on consultations about exchanges and co-operation through regular or irregular meetings or other appropriate ways.
5. In order to ensure the implementation of this agreement it is agreed to form a project team to develop and monitor projects co-operation.
6. This agreement is signed on *18 April 2005* in Cape Town and shall come into effect on the day of signature. It is done in duplicate in the Chinese and English languages, both text being equally authentic.



Executive Mayor
City of Cape Town
Republic of South Africa



Mayor
City of Hangzhou
Peoples Republic of China