LETTER OF INTENT

IN THE AREAS OF EDUCATIONAL, LINGUISTIC COOPERATION AND TRAINING

BETWEEN

THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL EDUCATION OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC

AND

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION OF DENMARK

The Minister of National Education, Higher education and research of the Republic of France and the Minister of Education of Denmark (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties").

Referring to the previous agreement signed on February 15th, 1967 between the French Republic and Denmark;

Highlighting the importance of Education and Culture to build inclusive and cohesive societies, and to sustain our competitiveness;

Wishing to strengthen links between the French and Danish school educational systems; and to deepen the mutual understanding of each country's educational policies and ambitions for their young generations;

Following up on European Council decisions in December 2017 calling for EU member states to enhance the learning of languages, so that more young people will speak at least two European languages in addition to their mother tongue;

Have agreed as follows:

The Parties shall encourage and develop cooperation and exchanges in the field of education and human resource development on the basis of equality, mutual benefit, and reciprocity depending on the applicable laws and regulations of the two countries and the availability of funds.

The Parties shall identify new areas of potential cooperation activities, opportunities of strengthening or expanding existing cooperation. The cooperation under this Letter of Intent may include, but is not limited to, the organization of workshops, seminars, conferences, study visits, exchange of staff and students, exchange of experiences, academic resources and best practices, where deemed appropriate by all those concerned. The cooperation under this Letter of Intent shall not in any way affect relations already established between educational and human resource agencies, institutions, or school systems of the Parties.

1. Linguistic cooperation

The Parties shall support language learning in both countries through:

- Improving high school students' skills in French language;
- Exploring the possibility of implementing specific training programs for French teachers in Denmark set up by both Parties;