Declaration between the Minister of National Education

of the Republic of Poland

and

the Minister of Education, Science and Culture of Iceland on cooperation in the field of education

We, the ministers of education, hereinafter referred to as the "Parties",

bearing in mind the need for both Parties to establish closer cooperation in the field of education,

recognizing the will of both Parties to promote cooperation in the field of education for the mutual understanding of the societies of both Parties,

declare the following:

The Parties will cooperate in the field of education, paying particular attention to the education of people of Polish nationality living in Iceland.

For this purpose:

- 1. The Parties will support pupils in accessing education in their mother tongue within the framework of the education systems as well as within language schools such as the *Polish School in Reykjavík*.
- 2. The Parties will foster the establishment of direct cooperation between Polish and Icelandic schools and educational institutions in order to enable them implementing joint projects remaining in their area of interest.
- 3. The Parties will enhance cooperation of Polish and Icelandic youth, teachers, school staff, schools and educational institutions in the framework of European Union programmes and EEA Grants
- 4. The Parties will exchange information on their national education systems, experiences and examples of good practices regarding their reform and prospects for their development.

The Parties decide to keep regular contacts after the signing of this declaration and appoint contact persons to oversee the realization of the activities specified in the declaration. All cooperative activities will be subject to the availability of funds of the Parties.

This Declaration will come into effect on the day of signing.

Signed in Warsaw on March 3, 2020 in duplicate, each in the Polish, Icelandic and English languages, all texts being equally powerful. In case of any discrepancy as to the interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

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