MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO

RICO, MAYAGUEZ CAMPUS AND MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

AS THE FIRST PARTY: The University of Puerto Rico represented by its Chancellor, Dr. Jorge I. Vélez Arocho

AS THE SECOND PARTY: _____Michigan State University _____represented by

Dr. Douglas Buhler

BOTH PARTIES CONCUR

- 1. Whereas, the second party is interested in establishing a dry bean winter nursery in Puerto Rico.
- Whereas, the first party as a member of Western Regional Hatch Project W-150 is interested in cooperating with other bean breeding programs in the United States.
- 3. Whereas, the first party owns lands and facilities suitable for research on dry beans during the winter months, and can cooperate in such a project.

THUS BOTH PARTIES AGREE

- 1. The first party shall:
 - a. Make available an area of land for establishing a dry bean nursery as set forth in this agreement.
 - b. Provide labor, farm equipment, and other facilities for land preparation, planting, cultivation, irrigation, pest control, and harvesting.
 - c. Provide a professional researcher who will cooperate in planning and supervising the field work.
- 2. The second party shall:
 - a. Package the seed to be planted in each plot in separate open ended coin envelopes.
 - b. Make arrangements for the seed to arrive in Puerto Rico no later than December 1, 2002.
 - c. Pay a fee to support field activities at the rate of \$3.00 for 3.0 m or 1.0 m row lengths at the time seed is forwarded.

- d. Pay for all shipping costs of bean seed.
- e. This agreement shall be in effect from December 1, 2002 until August 1, 2003.
- f. This cooperative agreement may be cancelled by either party, provided the cancelling party gives sixty day notice to the other party before the cancellation date.
- g. Signed at <u>East Lansing</u>, <u>Michigan 48824-1325</u> and Mayaguez, Puerto Rico at the dates shown below.

Date Dr. Jorga Vélez Arocho Chancell/or University of Puerto Rico Mayagu Campus

Dr**W** John Fernandez VanCleve Acting Dean and Director /College of Agricultural Sciences

Date:

Dr. Douglas Buhler Chair, Department of Crop & Soil Sciences Michigan State University East Lansing, MI 48824-1325