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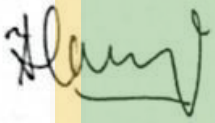	
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ABSTRACT

Globalization has increased international cooperation across various fields, often formalized through Memoranda of Understanding (MoU). Although not always legally binding, MoU contain legal terms that carry specific pragmatic and legal implications, requiring accurate translation to preserve their meaning and legal effect. This study aims to identify and classify legal terms in six MoUs involving the Ministry of Communication and Information Technology of the Republic of Indonesia and ministries from six countries (Germany, Singapore, Thailand, China, Timor Leste, and Saudi Arabia), as well as to analyze the translation procedures used based on Peter Newmark theory. This research employs a descriptive qualitative method, using six MoU documents in English and Indonesian as the data source. The analysis identified 50 legal terms, consisting of 22 purely technical terms, 21 semi-technical terms, and 7 everyday terms. Six types of translation procedures were found, consisting of 18 functional equivalent, 8 recognized translation, 4 modulation, 7 transference, 4 descriptive equivalent, and 2 formal equivalence. The findings indicate that in translating legal terms in MoU, maintaining the functional meaning of terms is crucial to ensure accuracy and legal relevance.

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