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MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION (ICAO)
AND
THE ARAB CIVIL AVIATION COMMISSION (ACAC)
PROVIDING A FRAMEWORK
FOR ENHANCED COOPERATION

The International Civil Aviation Organization, having its Headquarters in Montréal, Canada, hereinafter referred to as “ICAO”, represented by the President of the Council and Secretary General; and

The Arab Civil Aviation Commission, located in Rabat, Morocco, hereinafter referred to as “ACAC” represented by the President of ACAC and its Director General;

Hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”:

RECALLING the *Convention on International Civil Aviation* signed at Chicago on 7 December 1944 (hereinafter referred to as the "Chicago Convention") and in particular Article 55 a) and Article 65 thereof;

TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION ICAO Assembly Resolution A27-17 which, *inter alia*, directed the Council to conclude with each regional civil aviation body appropriate working arrangements and which, *inter alia*, ensure a close working relationship, including cooperation and coordination, harmonization of work programmes to avoid unnecessary duplication and attendance at certain of each other’s meetings as agreed;

RECALLING the ICAO Policy and Framework for Cooperation with Regional Organizations and regional civil aviation bodies;

RECALLING the exchange of letters recording cooperation between ICAO and ACAC which came into effect on 29 November 1999;

AND

WHEREAS this Memorandum of Cooperation does not supersede or prejudice existing forms of cooperation between the Parties as long as they remain in force;

AGREE ON THE FOLLOWING

1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1.1 The Parties agree to strengthen their relationship and establish closer cooperation in the fields of aviation safety, aviation security, environmental protection and sustainable development of air transport through the signing of this Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) for the benefit of international civil aviation.

1.2 This cooperation shall be facilitated, *inter alia*, by addressing certain administrative and resource issues, the regular exchange of information and data, and reciprocal access to information and data sources, as well as through participation in activities and meetings.

1.3 This MOC is without prejudice to the rights or obligations of Member States of ACAC under the Chicago Convention or to the relationship between ICAO and ACAC Member States resulting from Member States' membership of ICAO.

2. **OBJECTIVES**

2.1 The objectives of this MOC will be the following:

- a) strengthen cooperation between the Parties through stronger working relationships between ICAO and ACAC; and
- b) share information and data and develop consensus so that mechanisms for consultation and cooperation be improved.

3. **MEASURES TO ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVES OF THIS MOC**

3.1 The following measures will be adopted in achieving the objectives of this MOC:

- a) invite, pursuant to the applicable rules of procedure, ICAO Member States not members of ACAC to participate as observers in meetings of ACAC;
- b) exchange statistical information, where necessary;
- c) establish improved mechanisms for consultation and cooperation;
- d) avoid duplication of work, promote/support training activities, strengthen coordination between ACAC and ICAO Regional Offices and cooperate closely with regard to the joint organization of regional meetings, seminars and workshops;
- e) encourage ACAC members to participate in the work of ICAO;
- f) ensure that ACAC receives and has electronic access to all ICAO State letters whose subject matter is relevant to the scope of this MOC and its Annexes; and
- g) ensure that ICAO and ACAC meet periodically including at an annual high-level meeting.

4. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

4.1 Any difference or dispute concerning the interpretation or application of this MOC shall be resolved amicably by negotiation between the Parties.

4.2 Nothing in this MOC shall be deemed as a waiver of any privilege and immunities of the Parties.

5. **ENTRY INTO FORCE, AMENDMENTS AND TERMINATION**

5.1 This MOC will enter into force on the date of the last signature and shall remain in force until terminated.

5.2 This MOC may be amended at any time, in writing, by mutual agreement.

5.3 This MOC may be terminated at any time, in writing, by either Party giving the other six months' notice of termination.

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