ARRANGEMENT

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The Transport Safety Investigation Bureau (TSIB) of Singapore and the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka (CAA Sri Lanka), hereinafter referred to collectively as "the Parties" or individually as "the Party",

Reaffirming the objective enshrined in Annex 13 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation ("the Chicago Convention") that the sole objective of the investigation of an aircraft accident or incident shall be the prevention of accidents and incidents and that it is not the purpose of the investigation activity to apportion blame or provide a means of determining liability;

Committed to enhancing the capabilities and professionalism of their respective aircraft accident investigators;

Desiring to share expertise and experience relating to aviation investigation;

Recognising their common interest in establishing a lasting framework for cooperation in the area of aviation investigation;

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HAVE REACHED THE FOLLOWING UNDERSTANDING:

Objective and Areas of Cooperation

- 1. The sole objective of both Parties in entering into this Arrangement is the enhancement of aviation safety.
- 2. The Parties will cooperate in aircraft accident and incident investigation, investigation training and sharing of information and expertise, consistent with the Standards and Recommended Practices of Annex 13 to the Chicago Convention. The areas of cooperation are as follows:
 - (a) Each Party will offer assistance and the use of air safety investigation facilities and equipment to the other Party as it deems appropriate and as resources permit. Such assistance may include expertise in the fields of air traffic services, engineering, operations, flight recorders, human performance and management organisation.
 - (b) Each Party will, where practicable, invite the other Party's investigators to attend its general and specialist investigation courses and training.
 - (c) Each Party will, to the extent permitted by its laws and regulations, facilitate the attachment of the other Party's investigators as observers to its investigation of aircraft accidents and serious incidents, with a view to enhancing the other Party's understanding of its investigation requirements and procedures. This will serve to develop effective cooperation between the Parties in any investigation of aircraft accidents or serious incidents it conducts pursuant to Annex 13 to the Chicago Convention involving an aircraft of which the State of the other Party is the State of Registry, State of the Operator, State of Design or State of Manufacture.
 - (d) The Parties will maintain regular contact and each Party may organise visits to or meetings with the other Party with the aim of exchanging experiences, skills and technical knowledge.
 - (e) Each Party will, to the extent permitted by its laws and regulations, endeavour to share with the other Party relevant information about an investigation it is conducting in which the other Party has expressed an interest. This information, consistent with Annex 13, will not be released by the other Party without the express consent of the Party conducting the investigation.
- 3. The Parties may develop additional areas of cooperation to widen the scope of this Arrangement.

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Confidentiality

4. Neither Party will disclose, release or distribute to any third party confidential information, documents or data obtained pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding, without the prior written consent of the other Party.

Coordination

5. The contact person in the CAA Sri Lanka for the implementation of this Arrangement is:

Mr H.M.C. Nimalsiri
Director General of Civil Aviation
and Chief Executive Officer
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Sri Lanka

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6. The contact person in the TSIB for the implementation of this Arrangement is:

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E-mail: chong_chow_wah@mot.gov.sg

7. Each Party will inform the other Party in writing whenever there is a change to its contact person.

Financial Matters

8. Unless otherwise agreed, each Party shall bear its own cost for the implementation of the matters set out in this Arrangement.

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Legal effect

9. This MOU constitutes an expression of mutual good faith and is not intended to create legally binding obligations on either Party. The Parties shall endeavour to promote and achieve the objective of this MOU.

Amendment

10. This Arrangement may be amended in writing at any time by mutual consent of the Parties.

Commencement and Duration

- 11. This Arrangement will come into effect on the date of signing and will remain in effect unless it is terminated by either Party giving one month's notice in writing to the other Party.
- 12. The Parties may, by mutual agreement, provide for the continuance of any arrangement entered into under this Arrangement but not fully performed prior to the termination of this Arrangement.
- When this arrangement commences in line with Paragraph 9, this Arrangement will supersede and replace the previous 'Arrangement Between The Air Accident Investigation Bureau Of Singapore And The Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka On Cooperation Relating To Aircraft Accident And Incident Investigation' signed in 2011.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorised by the Parties, have signed this Arrangement.

Signed in duplicate in the English Language.

MR CALVIN PHUA

DEPUTY SECRETARY (INTERNATIONAL)
MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT
SINGAPORE

SINGAPO

Date:

MR H.M.C. NIMALSIRI

DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION &
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF SRI LANKA

Date: