#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

# between THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA

and

#### THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN

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## COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF CIVIL AVIATION

The Ministry of Civil Aviation of the Government of the Republic of India and the Ministry of Transport of the Government of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan hereinafter referred to as the "Parties",

Recognizing the mutual interest in effecting an understanding on technical cooperation particularly the air traffic services and other related services of civil aviation between the two countries,

Desiring to enhance cooperation and increase efficiency in matters relating to civil aviation and its safety aspects,

Have reached the following understanding:

#### Article 1

The Government of India shall cooperate in providing the required experts and manpower for Airport Management, Air Traffic Control, Air Navigational Aids, Pilot, Cabin Crew and Navigational Aid experts training, development of communications systems, airport and airline safety, security oversight and maintenance of aircraft.

#### Article 2

The Government of India shall extend its necessary support and help in training the expert manpower trainees deputed by the Government of Afghanistan for various training programmes at the Civil Aviation Training Centre, Allahabad, National Institute of Aviation Management and Research (NIAMAR), New Delhi and Central Training Establishment, Indian Airlines, Hyderabad, as mutually agreed upon.

#### Article 3

The Government of India shall provide necessary instructors having expertise in CNS-ATM facilities and other assistance to the Civil Aviation School in Kabul.

# Article 4

The Government of India shall provide regular maintenance of aircraft by Indian Airlines at mutually agreed terms.

### Article 5

All expenses incurred on activities undertaken in pursuant to Article 2 and 3 shall be borne by the Government of Afghanistan or as otherwise mutually agreed to by the Parties.

# Article 6

This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect upon signature by both the Parties and will remain in force for a period of three years.

Thereafter it may be extended automatically for subsequent periods of one year at a time unless either party terminates it by giving a written notice of its intention to other at least ninety days before the expiry of the MoU.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorized thereto by their respective governments have signed this Memorandum of Understanding.

DONE at New Delhi on 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2005 in English, Hindi and Dari languages, all the texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For the Government of India

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