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BETWEEN

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AND

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CONCERNING

**MUTUAL ACCEPTANCE OF APPROVAL OF AIRCRAFT
MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS**

ON 20 JANUARY 2012

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1. INTRODUCTION

Bahrain Civil Aviation Affairs (BCAA) and the UAE General Civil Aviation Authority (U.A.E. GCAA) Herein after referred to as the "Authority" or "Authorities";

Has signed the "Memorandum of Understanding on Mutual Acceptance of Approval of Aircraft Maintenance Organizations" (herein after referred to as the "M.O.U.") on 20 January 2012.

2. DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this M.O.U, the terms are defined as follows:

2.1 Approval of a maintenance organization means the approval, acceptance, authorization, certification or licensing of a maintenance organization in respect of specified civil aircraft and/or aircraft components subject to the organization's compliance with the requirement of either authority.

2.2 Civil aircraft component means any part or equipment which is to be installed in a civil aircraft, its engines or propellers, and which has a part number or serial number allocated by the aircraft/engine/propeller/equipment manufacturer, unless such part or equipment has been designated by the manufacturer as standard part. Complete engines (Including engine modules) and propellers are included for the purpose of this Agreement.

2.3 Maintenance means the performance of inspection, overhaul, repair, preservation, modification and the replacement of parts, materials, appliances, or components to ensure that the civil aircraft and/or aircraft component remains in compliance with the applicable requirements for certification by a maintenance organization.

2.4 A maintenance organization means persons or organization which carries out the business of maintenance which could include base and/or line maintenance of aircraft, engines or components.

3. SCOPE

- To reciprocally accept each other's approvals, when ever their resources do not permit separately auditing and accordingly issuing own maintenance organization (AMO) approvals;
- To promote aviation safety, enhance cooperation and increase Efficiency;
- To consider the possible reduction of the economic burden imposed on the Aviation Industry and operators by redundant technical inspections, Evaluations, and testing;
- To recognize the mutual benefit of improved procedures for the reciprocal acceptance of approval of aircraft maintenance organizations;

The scope of cooperation is limited to approved 145 maintenance organizations involved:

- Approval/ Recognition of Aircraft components maintenance organization;
- Approval/ Recognition of Engine and propeller maintenance organization;
- Approval/Recognition of Airframe maintenance organization.

3.1 Each Authority reserves the right to accept the other Authority approval or conduct its own approval process of the maintenance organization if it wishes to.

3.2 Both authorities shall work in accordance with its established policies and procedures and Civil Aviation Law and its regulations. .

3.3 This M.O.U document specifies the implementation details of Cooperation Agreement and the Joint Approval/ Recognition process of maintenance organizations.

4. APPLICABILITY

4.1 This M.O.U is applicable to maintenance organizations located outside and inside the territory of each Authority granting the approval.

4.2 This M.O.U does not apply to the once-off maintenance authorisation issued by either Authority to a maintenance organization.

5. THE M.O.U.

5.1 The Authorities accept that the rules, standards, practices, procedures and approaches for the approval and surveillance of the maintenance organizations are sufficiently equivalent to permit the acceptance of each other's maintenance certification system. Therefore, without prejudice to the obligation of each Authority under its own regulations, the Authorities agreed to:

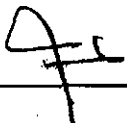
- avoid the duplication of inspections and evaluations;
- give the same validity to the other Authority's Inspection and evaluation findings for the approval of maintenance organizations; and
- give the same validity to the other Authority's system for the release of civil aircraft and/or

aircraft components to service after maintenance.

- 5.2 Each maintenance organization that can fulfil the application requirements stated in Paragraph 6 and is approved to perform maintenance functions under the jurisdiction of one Authority shall be recognized by the other Authority for the performance of the same functions (herein after called 'a recognized maintenance organization').
- 5.3 Maintenance activities with respect to an aircraft involved in civil aviation and/or aircraft component used for any purpose and regulated by one Authority can be performed and certified by a recognized maintenance organization approved by the other Authority for those same maintenance functions subject.
- 5.4 This M.O.U covers designs of civil aircraft and/or aircraft Components, including repair or modification by an Approved Maintenance Organization (AMO).
- 5.5 This M.O.U allows an Approved Maintenance Organization (AMO), upon request by an operator, to use the operator's procedures that are required by the Authority having jurisdiction over the operator concerned.
- 5.6 In cases of aircraft maintenance, this M.O.U allows the AMO, approved by one Authority, to certify the maintenance operations using certifying staff holding Aircraft Maintenance Engineer License, acceptable to the Authority granting the maintenance organization approval.
- 5.7 Certification of the maintenance activities by an AMO approved by one Authority shall be recognized by the other Authority. Accordingly the Certificate of Release to Service (CRS) of each authority is deemed to be equivalent; and therefore shall bear the two Authorities logo/identity.
- 5.8 Once an AMO is approved and the approval document is issued, a copy of the approval document including a controlled copy of the Exposition, supplement and a conclusive completed survey report are forwarded to the other Authority.
- 5.9 The Authority receiving the signed approval document including the completed survey report shall endorse on these documents its acceptance, update its list of AMOs indicating its recognition and publish it on its web-site.

6. APPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The aircraft maintenance organization that wishes to be approved shall apply to the relevant Authority in writing using the application form required by that Authority. The Accountable Manager of the AMO shall clearly indicate on the application the Class/Ratings to be approved. A copy of the current Capability List, relevant to the application, shall be enclosed including two copies of controlled Maintenance Organization Exposition (MOE). If an aircraft maintenance organization approved by one authority wishes to apply to the other authority, shall require submitting the relevant application to that authority. The Accountable Manager of the AMO shall clearly indicate on the application the Class/Ratings to be approved. A copy of the current Capability List, relevant to the application, shall be enclosed including two copies of controlled Maintenance Organization Exposition (MOE).



6.2 Any AMO applicant shall agree to pay the relevant Authority application fees, and any nominal fee, associated with the extra costs incurred by visiting Authority audit team.

6.3 The aircraft maintenance organizations applying for AMO approval in either authority shall provide supplement addressing specific requirements to its maintenance organization exposition (MOE) and to address the following issues:

- A commitment statement signed by the Accountable Manager that the AMO shall comply with the maintenance exposition and any supplement;
- The two Authorities may access the maintenance organization to ascertain its compliance with any applicable requirements;

6.4 In the event either Authority withdraws the approval granted to an AMO due to violations of its regulation, the other authorities will exercise discretion on the withdrawal of the approval.

7. SUPPORT TEAM

7.1 The two Authorities may exchange expertise in circumstances when one Authority is in need to support its activities due to shortage of manpower.

The Arrangement for such support shall be on a temporary basis, for special projects, ample time to be given before the actual project starts.

7.2 A joint survey may be convened as and when necessary.

8. ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS

8.1 A list of the approved AMO shall be updated on regular basis, which can be accessed from the Authorities' respective web-sites:

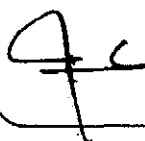
Bahrain CAA website: www.caa.gov.bh

UAE General Civil Aviation Authority: www.gcaa.gov.ae

8.2 The Authorities will convene meetings to discuss all matters related to this M.O.U once every 12 months and as required on alternate basis or as agreed.

8.3 Any difference or dispute concerning the interpretation or the application of this M.O.U. will be resolved by negotiation between the Authorities.

8.4 Either Authority may terminate this M.O.U. upon written notice to the other specifying the effective date of such termination. Any such termination shall have no effect upon rights or obligations relative to Maintenance Organizations already approved by any Authority under this MOU prior to the effective date of such termination.



9. AMENDMENT

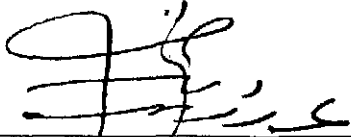
The parties agree that either party may request in writing any amendment of all or any part of this MOU or addition of a new areas of cooperation. Such amendment shall be mutually agreed upon in writing by the Parties and shall form an integral part of this MOU. Such amendment shall enter into force on such date as agreed upon in writing by the Parties.

10. EXPENSES

The parties agree that in case of any expenses required for the execution, implementation of this MOU each party shall bear its own costs unless otherwise agreed.

The Authorities agree to the provisions of this M.O.U. as indicated by the signature of their duly authorized representatives.

Captain AbdulRahman Mohammed Al Gaoud
Undersecretary for Civil Aviation Affairs - BCAA

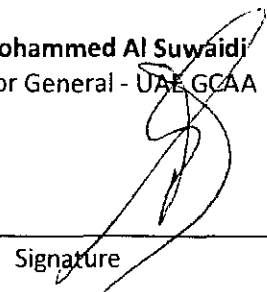


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Saif Mohammed Al Suwaidi
Director General - UAE GCAA



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