MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON MARITIME TRANSPORT
COOPERATION IN THE ARAB MASHREQ

DAMASCUS, 9 MAY 2005

PROPOSAL OF AMENDMENT

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

At its sixteenth session, held in Cairo on 23 and 24 November 2015, the Committee on Transport of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) adopted, in accordance with paragraph 3 of Article 18 of the above Memorandum of Understanding, an amendment to the title of the said Memorandum of Understanding.

The procedure for amending the Memorandum of Understanding is set forth in its Article 18 which reads as follows:

“1. Once the Memorandum of Understanding has entered into force, any party thereto may propose amendments thereto.

2. Any proposed amendments to the Memorandum of Understanding shall be submitted to the ESCWA Committee on Transport.

3. Amendments shall be adopted if they are approved by two thirds of the parties to the Memorandum of Understanding that are present at a meeting to be called for that purpose which includes the parties directly concerned with the proposed amendment.

4. The ESCWA Committee on Transport shall inform the depositary of amendments that are adopted in accordance with paragraph 3 of this article no later than forty-five (45) days after the adoption of those amendments.

5. The depositary shall inform all parties to the Memorandum of Understanding of amendments thereto that are adopted. Such amendments shall enter into force with respect to all parties three (3) months after those parties have been informed thereof, unless the depositary receives objections thereto from more than one third of the parties to the Memorandum of Understanding within three (3) months of the date on which they were informed of the amendments.
6. No amendment may be made to the Memorandum of Understanding during the period specified in Article 19 below if, upon the withdrawal of one party, the number of parties to the Memorandum of Understanding becomes fewer than five (5).”

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A copy of the text of the proposed amendment in the English and Arabic languages is transmitted herewith.

10 August 2016

[Signature]
Re-designate The Memorandum of Understanding as the “Memorandum of Understanding on Maritime Transport Cooperation between Arab Countries”. 

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