ACCESSION OF THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE OF THE REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA TO THE MOU ESTABLISHING THE REGIONAL AERONAUTICAL SEARCH AND RESCUE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Chair of the Regional Aeronautical Search and Rescue Advisory Committee, represented by Mr. Tomislav TUNTEV, PhD, Director General of the Civil Aviation Agency of the Republic of North Macedonia:

(hereinafter referred to as "the Chair of the RASARAC").

and

The Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Albania, represented by Colonel Figiri HOXHA, Head of the National Search and Rescue Center of the Republic of Albania;

(hereinafter referred to as "the National SAR Center of Albania").

Considering that this Appendix provides for the accession of the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Albania to the Memorandum of Understanding on the Establishment of the Regional Aeronautical Search and Rescue Advisory Committee (hereinafter called "the RASARAC") dated 03 November 2016 (hereinafter called "the MoU"), as a Member State of the RASARAC;

Recognising that the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Albania, with its Letter of 10 October 2023, formally expressed its willingness to accede to the MoU as a RASARAC Member State;

Considering that the Authorities responsible for Aeronautical Search and Rescue of Bosnia and Herzegovina; the Republic of Bulgaria; the Republic of Croatia; Montenegro; the Republic of North Macedonia; the Republic of Serbia; the Republic of Slovenia, and the Slovak Republic (hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Parties to the MoU") consented to accept the commitment of the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Albania to accede to the MoU as a Member State by means of signed Letters of Approval;

Having regard to the Articles I, II, III and IV of the MoU;

Have signed this Appendix to the MoU establishing the Regional Aeronautical Search and Rescue Advisory Committee.

Article1 - Scope

The Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Albania hereby consents to become a Party to the MoU and accepts all the rights and obligations as a Member of the RASARAC.

Article 2 - Entry into Force

This Appendix shall enter into force on the date of its signature. The Letters of Approval received from the other RASARAC Member States are attached to this Appendix.

Article 3 - Miscellaneous

This Appendix may be modified by an instrument in writing of equal formality, signed by the duly authorised representatives of the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Albania and the RASARAC.

The provisions of this Appendix notwithstanding, all parts of the MoU will remain unchanged and applicable.

Done at Skopje, on 08 November 2023, in two (2) originals in the English language.

The Chair of the RASARAC Civil Aviation Agency Republic of North Macedonia

The Acceding Party Ministry of Defence Republic of Albania

Mr. Tomislav TUNTEV, PhD Director General

Colonel Fiqiri HOXHA Head of National Search and Rescue Center