

MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION

Between the

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

And the

BUREAU OF TRANSPORTATION STATISTICS
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ON

TRANSPORTATION STATISTICS AND ANALYSIS

Taking note of the Memorandum of Cooperation between the Ministry of Communications of the People's Republic of China and the Department of Transportation of the United States of America on Cooperation in Science and Technology of Transportation signed in Washington, D.C., on December 8, 2003, specifically Article 2(d) and Article 3(d); the Department of Planning, Ministry of Communications of the People's Republic of China and the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Department of Transportation of the United States of America (here after referred to as the Participants), recognize the need for, and importance of, reliable, relevant, and timely information, to support transportation decision making. To this end, the Participants desire to share information and technical expertise, in the area of transportation statistics and analysis. This Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) is in furtherance of these objectives.

ARTICLE I – SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES

The Participants are interested in accomplishing the following:

- Promoting effective communication between the relevant agencies of both countries concerning transportation statistics and information;
- Facilitating the exchange of experience, techniques, and observers, to enhance the Participant's statistical capabilities;
- Facilitating the coordination of activities of mutual interest in the area of transportation statistics and information.

ARTICLE II - IMPLEMENTATION

The Participants intend to establish a Joint Working Group. The Joint Working Group plans to meet every year, alternatively in the People's Republic of China and the United States. This Joint Working Group may consist of members from each of the respective agencies to help achieve the goals and purpose of this MOC.

All activities under this MOC should be conducted under the guidance of the Joint Working Group. These activities may take the form of visits and study tours, seminars, conferences, and special projects.

Within 30 days of the effective date of this MOC, each Participant should designate a representative to be responsible for their activities under the Joint Working Group. The representatives may consult with one another to determine the guidelines and priorities of the Working Group and to establish dates for any scheduled meetings.

Each Participant may reserve the right not to disclose information it considers confidential.

ARTICLE III - FUNDING

Cooperation under this MOC is subject to availability of funds of each Participant, and it is understood that any funds, equipment or other materials provided under this MOC will occur on a non-reimbursable basis.

ARTICLE IV - CONSULTATION

Any differences arising from the interpretation or application of this MOC should be resolved by consultation of the Participants, as represented by members of the Joint Working Group.

ARTICLE V - DURATION AND MODIFICATION

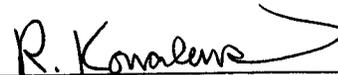
The activities under this MOC may commence on the date of signature below. Either Participant may cancel the present MOC at any time, but the Participant canceling the MOC should attempt to provide sixty days prior written notification to the other Participant.

In the event of termination of this MOC, specific on-going activities and projects may continue unless there is objection by one of the Participants to the completion of the project or activity in a cooperative basis.

Signed in Beijing on 26th day of October 2004, in duplicate in Chinese and English language, both texts being equally authentic.



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