

Memorandum of Understanding

Delegations representing the Aeronautical Authorities of the Czech Republic and the Aeronautical Authorities of the Dominican Republic (hereinafter referred to also as "delegations") met on 20 October 2015 in Antalya, Turkey, to discuss current bilateral relations in the field of civil aviation between the two countries.

Lists of the members of both delegations are attached as Appendix 1.

The negotiations were held in a cordial and friendly atmosphere. Both delegations expressed their desire to promote their air transport relations in a spirit of cooperation and complete understanding for their mutual benefits.

1. Air Services Agreement

Both delegations agreed to conclude an air services agreement to govern the air transport relations between both countries given that these are not governed by any agreement or arrangement.

In this respect, both delegations discussed the draft text of the Air Services Agreement between the Czech Republic and the Dominican Republic (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement") on the basis of the Czech model text.

As a result of these discussions the delegations initialed the text of the Agreement in English language, attached in Appendix 2.

Both delegations agreed to remain in the close contact and to inform each other about the progress of their internal procedures with the aim to reach the signature and entry into force of the Agreement in the near future.

2. Operational Framework

Pending entry into force of the Agreement both delegations reached the following understanding applicable in operational framework:

2.1 Scheduled operation

The Aeronautical Authorities of both Parties may designate in writing on an interim basis one or more airline(s) for operation of commercial scheduled air services between any points in the territory of one Party and the territory of other Party. The designated airlines of each Party may operate through any intermediate points or points beyond including fifth freedom traffic rights on that sectors.

2.2 Capacity of scheduled flights

The designated airlines of each Party will be permitted to operate unlimited number of frequencies on their respective routes with any type of aircraft in the framework of scheduled operation.

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2.3 Cooperative marketing arrangements

- (1) In operating or holding out air services on the specified routes any designated airline of one Party may enter into code-sharing and blocked-space arrangement with:
- (a) an airline or airlines of either Party;
 - (b) an airline or airlines of a third Party. Should such a third Party not authorize or allow comparable arrangements between the airlines of the other Party and other airlines on services to, from and via such third State, the aeronautical authorities of the concerned Party have the right not to accept such arrangements.
- (2) The above provisions are, however, subject to the conditions that all airlines in such arrangements:
- (a) hold the corresponding traffic rights and meet the provisions of this Agreement,
 - (b) meet the requirements applied to such arrangements by the aeronautical authorities of both Parties, and
 - (c) provide the consumers with the proper information concerning such code-sharing and blocked-space arrangements.
- (3) The airlines are required to file proposed code-sharing and blocked-space arrangements with the aeronautical authorities of both Parties at least thirty (30) days before its proposed introduction. Such code-sharing and blocked-space arrangements are subject to approval by the aeronautical authorities of both Parties.

2.4 Non-scheduled operation

Both delegations agreed that any requests of airlines of both Parties for operation of non-scheduled/charter flights would be considered positively, in accordance with the laws and regulations of each Party.

The Memorandum of Understanding comes into effect on the date of its signature.

Done at Antalya, on 20 October 2015, in two copies in the English versions.

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Appendix 1

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