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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
and  
NETHERLANDS**

**Memorandum of Understanding concerning co-operation in  
the field of transportation. Signed at Washington on  
28 September 1977 and at The Hague on 6 October 1977**

*Authentic text: English.*

*Registered by the United States of America on 17 April 1979.*

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**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE  
et  
PAYS-BAS**

**Mémorandum d'accord concernant la coopération dans le  
domaine des transports. Signé à Washington le  
28 septembre 1977 et à La Haye le 6 octobre 1977**

*Texte authentique: anglais.*

*Enregistré par les États-Unis d'Amérique le 17 avril 1979.*

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS OF THE NETHERLANDS CONCERNING COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF TRANSPORTATION

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I. This Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Transportation of the United States of America and the Ministry of Transport and Public Works of the Netherlands (hereinafter referred to as the parties) outlines a program to achieve mutually advantageous cooperation in transportation research and development. The aim of the program will be to promote cooperation between the transportation specialists of the parties in finding solutions to problems of mutual concern and to improve transportation systems and techniques without the costly and wasteful duplication of parallel national efforts.

II. To realize the benefits of cooperation pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding the parties agree that:

(a) They will undertake to exchange information and develop cooperation projects in such fields of transportation as are identified in Paragraph III below or as may subsequently be agreed.

(b) Each cooperation project will be the subject of a project agreement describing the information and experience to be exchanged, and setting forth the details of any cost-sharing or task-sharing involved. Such project agreements will become Addenda to this Memorandum.

(c) Specific activities in connection with this program will be contingent upon the availability of funds.

(d) To administer and facilitate this program, each party will designate an appropriate official as its Program Coordinator. The Program Coordinators will be authorized by each party to:

- (1) Provide a point of contact for the other party in making detailed arrangements for program activity;
- (2) Conclude project agreements;
- (3) Make amendments by agreement to the areas of mutual interest listed in Paragraph III below; and
- (4) Arrange for regular reviews of the status and achievements of the overall program and its component projects.

(e) Any conditions relating to technical documents, patents and other technical data and experience which restrict their use by the receiving party or restrict their delivery to a third party shall be respected by the parties.

III. The following have been identified as the initial areas of mutual interest:

- (a) Urban transportation, including the planning, development, and management of transit systems;
- (b) Highway traffic safety;

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 6 October 1977 by signature, in accordance with section IV.

- (c) Vessel traffic management, including vessel traffic systems and services;
- (d) Civil aviation, including air traffic control, airport planning and development, and safety aspects of aircraft systems;
- (e) Offshore facilities;
- (f) Transportation economics, including cost/benefit analysis and freight and passenger demand models;
- (g) Railroad transportation (managerial, organizational, and technical aspects);
- (h) Intermodal transportation (containers, piggy-back, LASH, etc.).

IV. This Memorandum of Understanding will become effective upon signature and will remain in force until terminated on written 90 days' notice by either Party.

[Signed—Signé]<sup>1</sup>

For the Department of Transportation  
of the United States of America

Sept. 28, 1977

[Signed—Signé]<sup>2</sup>

For the Ministry of Transport  
and Public Works  
of the Netherlands

6 October 1977

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