**AGREEMENT**

**BETWEEN**

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA,**

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND**

**AND THE CABINET OF MINISTERS OF UKRAINE**

**AMENDING**

**THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE**

 **REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF**

 **POLAND AND THE CABINET OF MINISTERS OF UKRAINE CONCERNING THE**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMON MILITARY UNIT,**

**DONE IN WARSAW ON 19 SEPTEMBER 2014**

The Government of the Republic of Lithuania, the Government of the Republic of Poland and the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”;

Applying the provisions of Article 15 paragraph 6 of the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Lithuania, the Government of the Republic of Poland and the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine concerning the establishment of a common military unit, done in Warsaw on 19 September 2014, hereinafter referred to as “the Agreement on the establishment of LITPOLUKRBRIG”;

Hereby agree on the following amendments of the Agreement on the establishment of LITPOLUKRBRIG:

**Article 1**

The preamble of the Agreement on the establishment of LITPOLUKRBRIG shall read:

“The Government of the Republic of Lithuania, the Government of the Republic of Poland and the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”;

Taking into consideration the provisions of the Agreement between the Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty regarding the Status of their Forces, signed in London on the 19th of June 1951, further referred to as “the NATO SOFA”, where applicable;

Considering the provisions of the Agreement among the States Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty and the other States participating in the Partnership for Peace regarding the Status of their Forces, hereinafter referred to as “the PfP SOFA", and its Additional Protocol, signed in Brussels on the 19th of June 1995, and also the Further Additional Protocol, signed in Brussels on the 19th of December 1997, hereinafter referred to as “the Additional Protocols”, where applicable;

Following the aims and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, done at San Francisco on 26 June 1945 concerning multilateral co-operation in the area of international operations and international security;

Committed to continue their contribution to establish and strengthen the Euro-Atlantic and regional stability and security;

Applying the provisions of Articles 3 and 4 of the Treaty between the Republic of Poland and Ukraine on Good Neighbourhood, Friendly Relations and Co-operation, signed in Warsaw on the 18th of May 1992, the provisions of Articles 4, 7 and 26 of the Treaty between the Republic of Lithuania and Ukraine on Friendship and Co-operation, signed in Vilnius on the 8th of February 1994 and the provisions of Articles 4, 5 and 6 of the Treaty between the Republic of Lithuania and the Republic of Poland on Friendly Relations and Good Neighbourly Co-operation, signed in Vilnius on the 26th of April 1994;

Taking into consideration the provisions of the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Poland and the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine on the Mutual Protection of Classified Information, done at Warsaw on 27 August 2015 and the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Lithuania and the Government of the Republic of Poland on Mutual Protection of Classified Information, signed in Warsaw on the 12th of May 2008, and the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Lithuania and the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine on Mutual Protection of Classified Information signed in Kyiv, on the 5th of June 2003, hereinafter referred to as “the Agreements on the Protection of Classified Information”;

Have agreed as follows:”.

**Article 2**

In Article 1 of the Agreement on the establishment of LITPOLUKRBRIG, paragraph 1 shall read:

“1. The Parties shall establish the Grand Hetman Kostiantyn Ostrogski Lithuanian-Polish-Ukrainian common military unit of a brigade size, hereinafter referred to as “the Brigade”.”.

**Article 3**

In Article 2 of the Agreement on the establishment of LITPOLUKRBRIG, paragraph 1 shall read:

“1. With the unanimous consent of the Parties, the Brigade or its elements shall be available for international operations, hereinafter referred to as “the Operations”, in accordance with provisions and principles of international law.”.

**Article 4**

This Agreement shall enter into force in accordance with the procedures specified in Article 15 paragraph 2 of the Agreement on the establishment of LITPOLUKRBRIG.

Done in Lublin on 5 October 2017 in one original in the Lithuanian, Polish, Ukrainian and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of any discrepancy regarding their interpretation, the English text shall prevail. The Government of the Republic of Poland, as the Depository, shall distribute the certified copies of this Agreement to the remaining Parties.

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