MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON AIR SERVICES ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN

THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND

THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

INTRODUCTION

- 1. Delegations representing the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland ("United Kingdom") and the Republic of Lithuania ("Lithuania") met by videoconference on 10th June 2021 to discuss air services arrangements between their two countries in accordance with the Trade and Cooperation Agreement¹ ("TCA") recently signed by the United Kingdom and the European Union ("EU").
- 2. The discussions were held in a friendly and constructive atmosphere. The composition of the two Delegations is attached at **Annex** A.
- 3. The United Kingdom and Lithuania (together "the Participants") have reached the understandings set out in this Memorandum.

ALL CARGO SERVICES

- 4. As permitted under Article 419(4) of the TCA, the Participants have decided that the following fifth freedom traffic rights may be exercised without limitation on routes, capacity or frequencies:
 - (a) for the United Kingdom, the entitlement for its air carriers to make stops in the territory of Lithuania to provide scheduled and non-scheduled all-cargo air transport services, between points situated in the territory of Lithuania and points situated in a third country outside the EU as part of a service with origin or destination in the territory of the United Kingdom;
 - (b) for air carriers of the Union, the entitlement to make stops in the territory of the United Kingdom to provide scheduled and non-scheduled all-cargo air transport services between points situated in the territory of the United Kingdom and points situated in a third country outside the EU, as part of a service with origin or destination in the territory of Lithuania.

¹ Trade and Cooperation Agreement Between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, of the other part, signed in Brussels and London on 30 December 2020.

ADDITIONAL NON-SCHEDULED SERVICES

- 5. The Participants noted that Article 419(9) of the TCA provides for the United Kingdom and Lithuania to authorise non-scheduled air transport services beyond the rights provided for in Article 419, provided that they do not constitute a disguised form of scheduled services.
- 6. The United Kingdom confirmed that applications for authorisation to operate such services would be determined as soon as practicable in accordance with the United Kingdom's internal rules and procedures².
- 7. Lithuania confirmed that applications for authorisation to operate such services would be determined as soon as practicable in accordance with Lithuania's internal rules and procedures³.
- 8. Each Participant confirmed that, in considering whether to grant authorisation to operate services mentioned in paragraph 5, it would take into account whether reciprocal treatment would be accorded to its air carriers in like circumstances.

AMENDMENT

9. This Memorandum may be amended at any time by the mutual written consent of the Participants.

TERMINATION

10. Each Participant may at any moment terminate this Memorandum by giving written notice to the other Participant. In that event this Memorandum will cease to have effect at the end of the IATA traffic season in progress on the first day of the ninth month following the date of notice of termination. The Participants will consult to determine how any outstanding matters should be dealt with.

² See https://www.caa.co.uk/Commercial-industry/Airlines/Licensing/Foreign-carrier-permits/About-foreign-carrier-permits/ And https://www.caa.co.uk/Commercial-industry/Airlines/Licensing/Foreign-carrier-permits---scheduled-and-charter-flights/

³ See https://ltsa.lrv.lt/en/sector-activities/civil-aviation/flight-permits

INTERPRETATION

11. Words and expressions used both in this Memorandum and Title I [Air Transport] of Heading Two of Part Two of the TCA have the same meaning as in that Title.

ENTRY INTO OPERATION

12. This Memorandum enters into effect on the date of the last signature below.

For the Government of the United

Kingdom of Great Britain &

Northern Ireland

For the Government of the Republic

of Lithuania

Grant Shapps

Secretary of State for Transport

Marius Skuodis

Minister of Transport and

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Location: London

Date: 29 June 2022

Location: London

Date: 19 June 2022

ANNEX A

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