## Memorandum of Understanding Between the Government of the Republic of Turkey and the Government of National Accord of the State of Libya

To strengthen brotherly ties between our countries Turkey and Libya, and out of the desire of the governments of the two countries to bolster opportunities for cooperation in various fields;

With both governments understanding that the settlement of issues related to projects under contract between Libyan entities and between Turkish companies and Libyan/Turkish joint ventures partnerships ("contracting parties"), may best be done through direct dialogue between them.

In view of the minutes of meeting signed by H.E. Minister of Trade of the Republic of Turkey and H.E. Minister of Planning of the Government of National Accord of the State of Libya at the City of Ankara on 31 January 2019.

The governments of the two countries have reached the following understandings:

- 1. They emphasize the importance of resuming work on the performance of the development projects in Libya given their direct effect on achieving stability in Libya and laying the foundations for a true partnership between the two countries.
- 2. They invite the contracting parties who are assigned the performance of the projects to commence direct and immediate consultations within the framework of a constructive dialogue, taking into consideration the extraordinary general circumstances which have resulted in the suspension of work on the projects in the previous phase to fulfill related rights and obligations.
- 3. They urge the contracting parties to agree on processes for the resumption of work at the projects and find solutions for issues and difficulties, as well as settle relevant rights and obligations in their mutual interest.
- 4. They encourage the contracting parties to conduct a comprehensive technical and economic assessment of the projects and a feasibility study of their continuity, as well as to determine their priorities, commence work on them or cancel them and liquidate the rights and obligations related thereto and encouraging the contracting parties to reach an agreement on the potential resumption of works and/or the settlement of rights and obligations within 90 days following the entry into force of this MoU; if contracting parties cannot commence the negotiations or reach an agreement or if the project is to be terminated, the contracting parties prepare a final account and settle the respective rights and obligations within 180 days following the entry into force of this MoU.
- 5. They recommend to exert all efforts to amicably settle any disputes which may arise taking into consideration the current and future interests.

- 6. The governments will give their best advice and opinion to encourage the contracting parties to reach results, which achieve the aspired goals and reconcile viewpoints, if needed and if the contracting parties request their assistance.
- 7. The contracting parties are encouraged to reach agreements consistent with their contractual rights and obligations and both Governments will support compliance with such agreements. Both governments support and observe of any obligations that the governments, or their related entities, may have entered into with regards to the projects undertaken by Turkish contractors.
- 8. The governments agreed that a Joint Working Group constituted at ministerial level shall hold a quarterly meeting with alternating venue between Ankara and Tripoli or at any other venue they subsequently agree to in order to follow up the implementation of this MoU.
- 9. This MoU shall enter into force on the date of the receipt of the last written notification by which the Parties notify each other, through diplomatic channels, of the completion of their internal legal procedures required for the entry into force of this MoU.

Done at Ankara on August 13, 2020, in two original copies in Turkish, Arabic and English languages, all the texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For the Government of the Republic of

Turkey

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