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GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

AND

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA**

**REGARDING THE CO-ORDINATION OF
SEARCH AND RESCUE
SERVICES**

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REGARDING THE CO-ORDINATION OF
SEARCH AND RESCUE SERVICES**

PREAMBLE

The Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Namibia (hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Parties" and in the singular as a "Party");

DESIRING to conclude an Agreement for the purpose of establishing search and rescue services between and beyond their respective territories;

HEREBY AGREE as follows:

ARTICLE 1
DEFINITIONS

In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise indicates -

"Aeronautical authorities"	means the respective Ministers responsible for Civil Aviation or any person or body authorised to perform any functions exercised by the said Ministers;
"Agencies"	means organisations, voluntary or otherwise, deployed to support the search and rescue units during operations;
"Agreement"	means this Agreement, any Annexures thereto, and any amendments to the Agreement or any of its Annexures;
"Authorities"	means the Aeronautical and Maritime Authorities;
"Maritime Authority"	means the respective Ministers responsible for Shipping or Maritime Affairs or any person or body authorised to perform any functions exercised by the said Ministers;
"Search and Rescue Aircraft"	means aircraft of the Parties and such other aircraft of the Parties registry as may be brought under the control of a Rescue Co-ordination Centre or Permanent Subcentre of either Party for the purposes of a search and rescue operation;
"Search and Rescue Region"	<i>means the South African search and rescue region as defined in ICAO Doc 7474 Part V and as delineated in the Provisional Maritime SAR Plan adopted at the Western Indian Ocean, Persian Gulf and Red Sea Conference and the Indian Ocean Conference on Maritime SAR and GDMSS held in Cape Town, September 1996, and Fremantle, September 1998 respectively and as indicated in the Admiralty List of Radio Signals, Vol 5 of 1998;</i>
"Search and Rescue Services"	means all organisations, voluntary or otherwise capable of supporting search and rescue operations, that includes communications, distress monitoring, co-ordinating and if necessary, medical evacuations;
"Search and Rescue Units"	means units composed of personnel and provided with equipment suitable for the expeditious conduct of search and rescue operations;