Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

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Aviation Safety and Security Planning Office

Enhancing Our Partnership with Europe in Aviation ~Memorandum of Cooperation on Aviation Safety and Environment signed with EASA ~

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT) has signed a memorandum of cooperation to enhance our partnership with the European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) on issues in aviation, including new technologies such as advanced air mobility and decarbonization. (signed on June 20).

- O As aviation is experiencing a paradigm shift toward embracing unmanned aircraft systems, advanced air mobility, decarbonization, and the like, aviation authorities around the world are striving to address new challenges.
- O By signing this memorandum of cooperation, MLIT and EASA will enhance activities to share knowledge and experience and to promote cooperation in the sharing of information on aviation safety and environmental protection, which will be useful for JCAB to move forward.

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- The sharing of knowledge and experience on topics in aviation safety, including unmanned aircraft systems, urban air mobility (UAM) including eVTOL, operations, airworthiness, and the environment, including sustainable aviation fuel (SAF)
- The joint organization and/or conduct of conferences, seminars, workshops or other activities on the topics mentioned above, etc.

[Signee]

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- Europe: Executive Director of the European Union Aviation Safety Agency Mr. Patrick Ky