Memorandum of Understanding
between
the Ministry of Transport of the People's Republic of China
and
the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation

The Ministry of Transport (MOT) of the People's Republic of China (PRC) and the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation (IALA), with regard to the change of legal status of IALA for the benefit of the development of world marine aids to navigation in general, have agreed to the following principles:

1. As a result of IALA's transformation from a non-governmental organization to an intergovernmental organization, its membership covers both country members and non-country members.

2. IALA, as an intergovernmental organization, acknowledges and follows the position and policy of the government of the People's Republic of China (PRC) in regard to the "One China Principle" regarding Chinese Taiwan.

3. In keeping with the "One China Principle", among IALA members PRC shall be the country member as a sovereign state, represented by the Maritime Safety Administration of the RPC (China MSA) under MOT, and shall be referred to by the designation of "China". In no cases shall any organizations or institutions of Chinese Taiwan be allowed to become any form of IALA member without the authorization of MOT.

4. To follow the "One China Principle", nothing bearing the

symbol of Chinese Taiwan (such as flag, card, emblem and anthem) or any expression which may give rise to the interpretation of "Two Chinas" or "One China, One Taiwan", shall be used in conjunction with IALA activities, publications or websites.

5. Prior consent shall be obtained from MOT should any candidates from Chinese Taiwan are to assume important positions of IALA, or any activities of IALA are to be held in Chinese Taiwan.

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is signed on ***in ***, and becomes effective from the date of its signature. The MOU is established in duplicate in the English and Chinese language, each text being equally authentic.