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**AGREEMENT
ON MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION
BETWEEN**

The Center for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction and MapAction

Bearing in mind that the Parties:

- MapAction, represented by Chief Executive Officer Liz Hughes, Address: The Clare Charity Centre, Wycombe Road, Saunderton, Buckinghamshire, HP14 4BF, United Kingdom
- The Center for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction (CESDDR) represented by the Director of the CESDDR Valeriy Petrov, Address: 73 Amangeldy street, Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan

decided to conclude this Agreement on Mutual Understanding and Cooperation (hereinafter - Agreement) with the aim of promoting, assistance and strengthening cooperation in the field of disaster risk reduction and response to natural and man-made emergencies,

have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The objectives of this Agreement are the establishment of functioning relations between the Parties based on equality and mutual benefit, strengthening the capacity of Parties in the field of DRR and emergency situations, and the practical implementation of developments that are of mutual interest.

The main tasks of this cooperation are the creation of favorable conditions for the exchange of ideas, information and technologies, the organization of joint research and development within the framework of agreed priority areas and programs.

ARTICLE 2

Taking into account and depending on the available funds and resources of the Parties, the following forms of Cooperation, implemented within the framework of this Agreement are possible:

- ❖ coordination of efforts for effective response to emergencies;
- ❖ development and implementation of joint regional and international projects on disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies;
- ❖ exchange of technical information, including samples and standards;
- ❖ technical assistance, including the use of unique equipment, technologies, software, if required;
- ❖ development of software products;
- ❖ provision of products and services;
- ❖ establishment of a database in the field of mapping;
- ❖ training, professional development of specialists and experts of the member-states of CESDRR through special exercises, trainings, training courses and other relevant activities;
- ❖ exchange of experience and introduction of advanced achievements in the field of disaster risk reduction, prevention and elimination of emergencies;
- ❖ other forms of cooperation of mutual interest and agreed by the Parties.

ARTICLE 3

With the mutual consent of the Parties, outside organizations and individuals may be involved in joint work under this Agreement. New participants sharing Agreement's goals can join.

ARTICLE 4

Any corrections and / or changes to the Agreement require the written consent of the Parties and are attached to this document.

ARTICLE 5

Any of Parties reserves the right to early termination of the Agreement at any time for or without a reason, having previously notified the other party ninety (90) days before the termination date in writing form.

If at the time of termination of the Agreement, work is underway on a program within the scope of an additional agreement that is part of the Agreement, then all work on it must be completed regardless of the term of termination of the Agreement. Both Parties make every effort to implement this.

ARTICLE 6

This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature and shall remain in force for five years. After the expiration of this period, the Agreement is automatically extended for the next five-year period, unless the Parties decide otherwise.

The agreement can be amended or supplemented with the mutual consent of the Parties.

Termination of this Agreement in respect of a Party that has notified its withdrawal from this Agreement shall not affect the performance of scientific works on cooperation carried out in accordance with this Agreement and not completed by the end of its validity.

ARTICLE 7

This Agreement does not entail any legal or financial obligations for the implementation of joint activities.

No action under this Agreement shall infringe the authorities and rights of any of the Parties.

The Agreement signed in two copies in Russian and English, one copy for each Party,

This Agreement signed by both Parties in Almaty on "22" 08 2018.

Director

**Center for Emergency Situations and
Disaster Risk Reduction**

V. Petrov 

Date: 22.08.18

Chief Executive Officer

MapAction

L. Hughes 

Date: 22.08.18