# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN ON SMART MOBILITY, AVIATION TECHNOLOGIES AND ROAD SAFETY

Based on the long-standing friendly relations between Colombia and Sweden, (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties"), and

- Aiming at further strengthening the ties between the two countries in a forward-looking perspective.
- Promoting reciprocal economic, technical and technological cooperation in a win-win spirit.
- To share experience and technology in the field of smart mobility, aviation technologies and road safety,
- Wishing to strengthen and promote social, environmental and economic sustainable growth.

# The Parties have agreed as follows:

The two Parties shall, within the framework of their national legislation and in line with the requirements of Sweden's EU membership, the EU-Colombia Association Agreement and other international obligations, promote cooperation in the field of smart mobility, aviation technologies and road safety through the implementation of projects in Colombia and Sweden by entities directly concerned in the above-mentioned fields.

## **PARAGRAPH I**

#### **OBJECTIVE OF COOPERATION**

Encouraged by ongoing contacts between the two Parties and present economic, environmental, and technological developments, the two Parties agree that there exists a favorable opportunity to further consolidate their cooperation in the field of environmental concepts and technology, and thus decide to encourage technological cooperation in smart mobility, aviation technologies and road safety and promote green technologies and innovation within industrial sectors.

## **PARAGRAPH II**

# CONTENT OF COOPERATION

The Parties announce the following fields as priorities of cooperation:

- (1) Exchange of experience -,know-how and technology in the field of sustainable and innovative solutions in smart mobility, including green transition of the transport sector,
- (2) Exchange of experience, know-how and technology. Especially in respect of technologies for aviation (air traffic management, remote towers etc.) and,
- (3) Exchange of experience, know-how and technology on concepts and innovative solutions in road safety.

#### PARAGRAPH III

## FORMS AND MEANS OF COOPERATION

- (1) Cooperation under this agreement may involve ministries and government agencies at national, regional and local level, academia and research institutions and enterprises. To the extent permitted by applicable national law of the Parties, cooperation may take place in the following forms:
- a. Exchange of information.
- b. Implementation of jointly agreed cooperation projects including technical visits.
- c. Other forms of cooperation agreed between the Parties.
- (2) The Parties agree on the possibility to schedule periodic meetings to discuss issues of cooperation between them. Both sides may designate a representative, to be responsible for the coordination of the cooperative activities and ensuring effectiveness of the exchange. The representatives consult with each other and further define the cooperative topics, forms of cooperation and other related matters, where necessary.
- (3) The application of this agreement depends on access to appropriate financial means and on each country's applicable laws and regulations. Any costs of cooperation activities based on this agreement shall be covered by Parties at their own, unless both sides agree otherwise. This agreement is not intended to create any legal or financial obligations for the Parties.

# **PARAGRAPH IV**

#### INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISM OF COOPERATION

- (1) Any dispute arising from the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement will be settled through friendly negotiations and consultations between the two Parties;
- (2) The Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on the day of signature. It shall remain in force for 5 years. This Memorandum may be terminated by either Participant by six (6) months written notice to the other Participant of its intention to terminate.
- (3) With the consent of the Parties, this Memorandum of Understanding may be modified in written form. Unless otherwise agreed, the termination of this Memorandum of Understanding shall not invalidate ongoing projects carried out based on the same instrument.

Signed in Stockholm, Sweden, on 13 June 2024, in two (2) original copies in English and spanish

Andreas Carlson

Minister for Infrastructure and Housing

Ministry of Rural Affairs and Infrastructure.

For the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden

William Fernando Camargo Triana

Minister of Transport

Ministry of Transportation

For the Government of the Republic of Colombia