

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON AIR SERVICES BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE INDEPENDENT STATE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA 3 – 4 AUGUST 2011, MANILA PHILIPPINES

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Delegations representing the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea met in Manila on 03 – 04 August 2011 to discuss matters relating to the Interim Agreement on Air Services between the two countries, signed on 07 October 1975.

The Philippine Delegation was headed by Honorable Rafael E. Seguis, Undersecretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs and the Papua New Guinea Delegation was headed by Honorable William Vate, First Assistant Secretary, Air Transport Division of the Department of Transport. The lists of the two delegations are attached as ATTACHMENT I.

The meeting was conducted in a most cordial and friendly atmosphere reflecting the good relationship existing between the two countries.

1. AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT

The two delegations agreed on the text of a new Air Services Agreement (ASA) attached hereto as ATTACHMENT II which shall replace the Interim Agreement on Air Services between the Republic of the Philippines and the Independent State of Papua New Guinea, signed on 07 October 1975.

Until such time as the ASA and its attachment shall come into force, the two Delegations agreed to apply the principles included herein, on a provisional basis and within the scope of their administrative competencies.

Both delegations undertook to advise their respective authorities to begin the internal procedure conducive to an early signature and completion of their respective constitutional requirements, for the entry into force of the ASA, as soon as possible.

2. ROUTE SCHEDULE

Both delegations agreed on a new route structure attached hereto as ATTACHMENT III expanding the points that may be operated by the designated airlines of the Philippines and Papua New Guinea.

3. PASSENGER CAPACITY AND FREQUENCIES

The delegations agreed to allow the designated airlines of each contracting party to operate the following weekly passenger capacity in each direction with 3rd and 4th freedom traffic rights.

For the designated airlines of the Republic of the Philippines:- For Route 1 – Up to six hundred (600) seats per week per week in each direction, from Manila to Port Moresby, v.v.

- For Route 2 – Up to one thousand five hundred (1,500) seats per week in each direction from points in the Philippines, except Manila, to points in Papua New Guinea, v.v.

For the designated airlines of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea:

- For Route 1 – Up to six hundred (600) seats per week per week in each direction, from Port Moresby to Manila, v.v.
- For Route 2 – Up to one thousand five hundred (1,500) seats per week in each direction from points in Papua New Guinea to points in the Philippines, except Manila, v.v.

4. FINAL PROVISION

The provisions set forth herein shall enter into effect as of the date of its signature and shall supersede the provisions set forth in the Agreed Minutes dated May 8, 1997.

Done this 4th day of August 2011 at Manila, Philippines in duplicate.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

THE GOVERNMENT OF INDEPENDENT STATE OF
PAPUA NEW GUINEA

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