

**AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG THE NATIONAL
OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION (NOAA), THE UNITED STATES
COAST GUARD (USCG), THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE (USAF), AND THE
NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION (NASA) REGARDING U.S.
RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE COSPAS-SARSAT SYSTEM
(ISSUE 1/REVISION 2)**

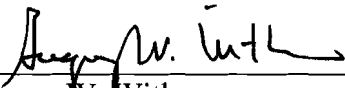
Under Article VII, SubPara. A. ("Entry Into Force and Duration") of the above captioned Memorandum of Understanding (the MOU), the MOU "may be extended every five years through an exchange of letters." Issue 1/Revision 1 of the MOU dated January 1998 was executed on April 22, 1998, and thus, by its terms, the MOU will terminate on April 21, 2003, unless the Parties extend the MOU's effective term, prior to the date of termination.

The Parties hereby agree that this Amendment constitutes "an exchange of letters" by the Parties, pursuant to Article VII, SubPara. A. of the MOU, which extends the MOU's effective term for an additional five (5) years from the last date appearing below. Consequently, the MOU shall now terminate five (5) years from the last date appearing below unless it is otherwise terminated pursuant to Article VII, SubPara. B.

All other Articles of the MOU remain unchanged.

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April 20, 2003

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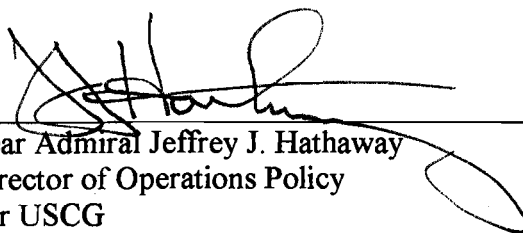
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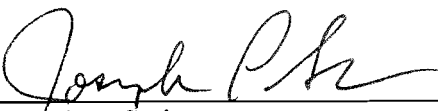
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Issue #	Revision	Date	Revised Page(s)	Comments
1	0	Sept 1991	N/A	N/A
1	1	July 1997	1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 11, 12	Inclusion of agencies' legal basis for Joint Project Authority; Inclusion of cost-sharing agreement as Annex B; modification of termination clause; editorial changes
1	2 (Amendment)	July 2002	N/A	Extension of effective term, constituting "exchange of letters"