



(LETTER OF INTENT)
BETWEEN
THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND
THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
OF THE STATE OF QATAR

**The Department of Homeland Security of the United States of America,
And the Ministry of Interior of the State of Qatar,
Hereinafter referred to as the "Two Participants",**

RECOGNIZING that coordination and collaboration between the two countries have increased to a new, unprecedented level and the Two Participants seek, within the context of intensified cooperation to explore bilateral initiatives for the benefit of both countries,

The Two Participants **INTEND** to work collaboratively and cooperatively, in accordance with their respective laws and regulations, on the following goals:

- In coordination with other relevant authorities and taking into account relevant existing bilateral mechanisms, continue discussions to develop and/or improve programs, processes, and initiatives;
- Encourage the strengthening of information sharing mechanisms between the Two Participants.
- Survey possible cooperation with DHS/Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to strengthen passenger screening processes at airport including development, development and use of screening technology, such as strategic possible use of Advance Imaging Technology (AIT), via technical exchange in coordination with other relevant aviation security-related efforts.
- Explore assistance mechanisms provided by the DHS/Customs and Border Protection (CBP) in areas of document screening and behavioral detection as well as potential ways to facilitate legitimate travel;



- Leverage DHS/ Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) expertise to explore the possibility of offering courses related to illicit financing, including bulk cash smuggling and money laundering;
- Collaborate with the U.S. Coast Guard to explore specialized training opportunities and enhance maritime capacity;
- Enhance the continuation of discussions between relevant authorities regarding air marshal training and aviation security emphasizing air cargo security;
- Initiate information exchange as appropriate on best practices for the prevention of illegal trafficking of drugs and precursor substances;
- Continue training opportunities with the DHS/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the areas of disaster response and emergency preparedness;
- Promote increased partnership with the DHS/National protection and programs Directorate (NPPD) in areas of critical infrastructure protections and cybersecurity.

Signed at Doha on the 2end, of January 2011.

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