

## **CHAPTER 10 FINAL PROVISIONS**

### **ARTICLE 10.1 Annexes and Side Letters**

The Annexes and Side Letters to this Agreement shall form an integral part of this Agreement.

### **ARTICLE 10.2 Amendments**

1. Any Party may submit proposals for amendments to this Agreement to the Joint Committee for consideration and approval.
2. Amendments to this Agreement shall, after approval by the Joint Committee, be submitted to the Parties for ratification, acceptance or approval in accordance with the constitutional requirements or legal procedures of the respective Parties.
3. Amendments to this Agreement shall enter into force in the same manner as provided for in Article 10.5, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties.

### **ARTICLE 10.3 Accession**

1. Any State which becomes one of the GCC Member States may accede to this Agreement, provided that the Joint Committee decides to approve its accession, on terms and conditions to be agreed upon by the Parties.
2. This Agreement shall apply to that State upon the conclusion of and entry into force of amendments to this Agreement to provide for the accession of that State to this Agreement.
3. The entry into force of the amendments referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article shall be in accordance with Article 10.2.

### **ARTICLE 10.4 Withdrawal and Termination**

1. The GCC may terminate this Agreement by means of a written notification to Singapore, or Singapore may terminate this Agreement by means of a written notification to the GCC. The termination shall take effect six (6) months after the date of notification.

2. Any State which withdraws from the Charter of the Co-operation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf shall *ipso facto* cease to be a Party to this Agreement six (6) months after the date the withdrawal takes effect. That State and the GCC Secretariat shall immediately inform Singapore of that State's withdrawal.

3. Any Party may terminate its participation in this Agreement by means of a written notification to the other Parties. The termination shall take effect, in case of Singapore six (6) months after all the GCC Member States have received its notification of termination, and in the case of a GCC Member State six (6) months after its notification of termination is received by Singapore.

4. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the termination by any Party of its participation in this Agreement pursuant to paragraph 3 of this Article shall not affect the validity or duration of any contract, project or activity within the purview of this Agreement until such time these contracts, projects or activities are completed.

#### **ARTICLE 10.5** **Entry into Force**

This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the second month following the date of the receipt of the last written notification through the diplomatic channels by which the Parties inform each other that all necessary requirements have been fulfilled.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto, have signed this Agreement.

DONE at Doha, Qatar in duplicate, in the English and Arabic languages, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 2008, which corresponds to this 17<sup>th</sup> day of Dhu Al-Hijjah, 1429 Hijri. In the event of any inconsistency, the English text shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.

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