

## ADDENDUM

### TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON THE INITIAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN AND AMONG THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA, THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, THE LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR, THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND, AND THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM FOR THE FACILITATION OF CROSS-BORDER TRANSPORT OF GOODS AND PEOPLE AT MYAWADY, REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR AND MAE SOT, KINGDOM OF THAILAND

The Governments of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the Kingdom of Thailand, hereinafter referred to as the “Parties to the Memorandum of Understanding” (or “Parties to the MoU”);

**Referring** to the Agreement Between and Among the Governments of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, the Kingdom of Thailand, and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam for the Facilitation of Cross-Border Transport of Goods and People, originally signed on at Vientiane on 26 November 1999, Lao People's Democratic Republic, amended at Yangon, Myanmar on 29 November 2001, acceded to by the Kingdom of Cambodia at Yangon, Myanmar on 29 November 2001, acceded to by the People's Republic of China (“PRC”) at Phnom Penh, Cambodia on 3 November 2002, acceded to by the Republic of the Union of Myanmar at Dali, PRC on 19 September 2003, and amended at Phnom Penh, Cambodia on 30 April 2004, hereinafter referred to as “the Agreement”;

**Noting** that ratification of the Agreement and its Annexes and Protocols was completed by all Contracting Parties in 2015;

**Recalling** the decisions of the CBTA Joint Committee at its meeting in Hanoi, Vietnam on 15 March 2018 that Myanmar shall enjoy a two-year grace period for the issuance, and acceptance from other CBTA Contracting Parties, of GMS Road Transport Permits, and that Myanmar shall issue permits on the basis of IICBTAs with neighbouring countries, commencing with the Kingdom of Thailand;

**Pursuant** to the Memorandum of Understanding, hereinafter referred to as the “MoU” signed by the Parties to the MoU at Siem Reap, Cambodia on 13 March 2019, committing them to undertake initial implementation of the Agreement; and

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**Recalling** that the Parties to the MoU may propose amendment(s) to the MoU, which shall form an integral part of the MoU, subject to their mutual consent and signature of an Addendum to the MoU by the duly authorized representatives of their National Transport Facilitation Committees.

**HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:**

**Article 1: Preamble**

The following words shall be added to the Preamble of the MoU:

*“Noting that for the purposes of this MoU, the Mae Sot - Myawady border crossing points shall include both the First Thai-Myanmar Friendship Bridge and the Second Thai-Myanmar Friendship Bridge (located at Myawady - Ban Wang Takhian Tai);”*

**Article 2: Traffic Rights and Market Access**

Article (v) of section E1. Concerning Article 19 (Traffic Rights), Article 22 (Market Access), Article 23 (Free Market for Transport Services), Protocol 3 (Frequency and Capacity of Services and Issuance of Quotas and Permits) of the MoU shall be replaced as follows:

*“(v) transport operations under other arrangements as currently exist shall be integrated under the MYA-T IICBTA MoU within an 18-month period, subject to the total number of Permits issued by each Party reaching 500, or other number mutually agreed by both Parties, sufficient to meet market demand, through signature of an Addendum to the MoU.”*

**Article 3: Designation of Routes and Points of Entry and Exit (Border Crossings)**

The following Routes shall be added to the Article (i) of section E2: Concerning Article 20 Designation of Routes and Points of Entry and Exit (Border Crossings) and Protocol 1 (Designation of Corridors, Routes, and Points of Entry and Exit (Border Crossings) as well as Article 31 (Transparency of Legislation, Regulation and Status of Infrastructure) of the MoU:

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