AGREEMENT ON AIRWORTHINESS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY

The Government of Canada and the Government of Italy, hereinafter referred to as the "Contracting Parties",

WHEREAS:

- Each Contracting Party has determined that the standards and systems of the other Contracting Party for the airworthiness and environmental certification or acceptance of aeronautical products are sufficiently equivalent to its own to make an Agreement practicable;
- Each Contracting Party wishes to develop and employ procedures for granting airworthiness and environmental certification or acceptance of aeronautical products imported from the other Contracting Party so as to give as much recognition as is practicable to technical evaluations, test results, inspections, conformity statements, marks of conformity and certificates accepted or issued by or on behalf of the airworthiness authority of the exporting Party in granting its own domestic certification of such aeronautical products; and
- In the interest of promoting aviation safety and preservation of the environment and with a view to fostering cooperation and assistance between their airworthiness authorities in achieving common safety and environmental quality objectives, establishing and maintaining airworthiness and environmental standards and certification systems which are as similar to those of the other Contracting Party as practicable and cooperating in the reduction of the economic burden on aviation industries and operators arising from redundant technical evaluations, tests and inspections;

Therefore, having agreed on certain principles and arrangements in order to:

- facilitate the airworthiness and environmental certification, approval or acceptance by the airworthiness authority of the importing Party of aeronautical products, including maintenance services, imported and exported between the two Contracting Parties;
- provide for the development of procedures between the two airworthiness authorities for these purposes and for facilitating management of the emerging trend toward multinational design, manufacture, and interchange of aeronautical products involving the joint interests of the Contracting Parties in airworthiness and environmental certification;
- provide for cooperation in sustaining safety and environmental quality objectives;

THE CONTRACTING PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS: