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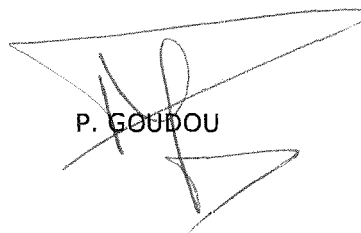
**Subject: Signature Arrangement on enhanced cooperation about oversight of Airbus A380**

Dear Mr Byron,

Please find enclosed two copies of an arrangement on enhanced cooperation between the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) and the Civil Aviation Safety Authority of Australia (CASA) about the oversight of the Airbus A380 fleet. I have initialled and signed the two copies. If you agree with the text as well, I thank you to do the same and return to me one of the copies.

I am sure that this Arrangement will contribute in assuring a long and fruitful co-operation between CASA and EASA.

Yours sincerely,

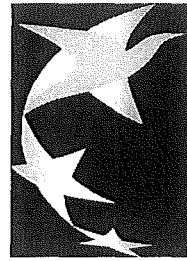


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**Arrangement on enhanced cooperation**

**Between**

**The European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)**

**And**

**The Civil Aviation Safety Authority of Australia (CASA)**

**About the oversight of the Airbus A380 fleet**

The European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) and Civil Aviation Safety Authority of Australia (CASA);

Considering their respective obligations representative of the State of design and State of registry under Annex 8 of the Chicago Convention;

Considering the entry into regular service of the Airbus A380, a large and complex aircraft of the newest generation, and taking into account that, during the first years of the entry into service of the A380, the number of aircraft into operation as well as the number of airlines operating this aircraft will be extremely limited;

Considering that EASA has decided that the fulfillment of its State of design responsibilities would be better achieved in these peculiar circumstances by the establishment of a dedicated Network of Communication providing for a closer monitoring of the fleet in service and allowing taking the appropriate corrective measures commensurate to the nature of the deficiency and the number of concerned aircraft;

Considering that CASA has agreed to join the Network of Communication as it has a special interest as State of Registry of the Airbus A380 entering into regular passenger transport services within Qantas Airlines, to further the exchange of data it needs to ensure the proper oversight of that fleet;

Have decided to co-operate as follows:

#### **1. Co-operation principles**

A permanent link is established between EASA and CASA Focal Points for A380 airworthiness and operations matters (see Appendix).

At least one meeting of the relevant Focal Points will be organised every year by EASA and CASA. Additional meetings may be organised on a case by case basis as required by the need to co-ordinate airworthiness or operation actions.

CASA will, subject to applicable Australian laws, provide information to EASA on specific airworthiness and operational issues as soon as they happen and will assist EASA in analyzing their effect on the safety of the fleet.

EASA will review possible actions to correct identified deficiencies, taking into account suggestions made by CASA and will promptly inform CASA on the defined actions it considers the most appropriate.

EASA will inform as soon as possible of any issue affecting the airworthiness and operation of A380 aircraft as identified through its continuous oversight process.

CASA agrees, subject to applicable Australian laws and any supervening operational priorities, to take all necessary measures to monitor the implementation of the notified actions and report swiftly on any difficulty.

Upon CASA request, EASA will provide information on EASA position on specific issues, and will assist CASA in ensuring oversight of its fleet.

**2. Entry into force, interpretation, termination and costs sharing**

**Entry into force:** This arrangement is effective from the date of signature by the Authorities' duly authorized representatives and will be applied from the date the last party signs it.

**Interpretation:** The EASA Certification Directorate and the CASA Corporate Relations Branch will jointly monitor the functioning of the established co-operation. Any disagreement regarding the interpretation or application of this document shall be resolved by common accord via consultation between the Authorities.

**Termination:** The co-operation will remain in place until terminated by either Authority. Either Authority may at any time give written notice of not less than one month to the other Authority of its decision to terminate the co-operation.

**Costs:** Each Authority will bear its own costs and expenses incurred in implementing its obligations under this co-operation.

Signed in duplicate in English language

For the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)


In *Cologne* on *9/9/08*



Patrick Goudou  
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For the Civil Aviation Safety Authority Australia (CASA)

In *Brisbane* on *17/9/08*



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## Appendix: Focal Points

### Focal Points for Airworthiness

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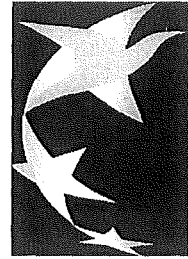
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