MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE OCCITANIA REGION, FRENCH REPUBLIC AND AICHI PREFECTURE, JAPAN

The Occitania Region of the French Republic and Aichi Prefecture of Japan (hereafter "the parties") hereby express their sincere desire to establish a relationship with the goals of encouraging friendship and increasing prosperity in both regions, and contributing to further development of favorable relations between the French Republic and Japan. This memorandum is based on the principle of equality and mutual benefit and seeks to accomplish the following:

- I. The parties will strive to establish a close friendship based on respect and mutual trust.
- II. The parties will cooperate in all fields recognized by both parties to be mutually beneficial, such as the aerospace industry, the automobile industry, and tourism.
- III. In the interest of the development of both regions, the parties will work to promote private-sector exchange in a wide range of areas including the fields identified above.

This memorandum of understanding is solely an expression of the parties' desire to establish a mutually beneficial relationship and creates no legally binding rights or obligations.

Signed in Nagoya, Aichi, on June 5, 2018, in recognition of the above articles.

Copies of this memorandum will be made in English and Japanese. All texts are of equal authenticity.

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