

Memorandum of Understanding on Meteorological Cooperation between
Thai Meteorological Department (TMD) of Thailand and
Hong Kong Observatory (HKO) of Hong Kong, China

The Thai Meteorological Department (TMD) of Thailand and the Hong Kong Observatory (HKO), of Hong Kong, China have been cooperating closely in various meteorological areas for many years. With the aim of strengthening the weather forecasting and warning capabilities of both organizations in a sustainable way by sharing experiences and knowledge, and to contribute to the regional and global development of weather services, both organizations decide to collaborate further in meteorological science and technologies as detailed below.

1. Methods of cooperation

The cooperation will be mainly achieved through meetings and visits. The meeting frequency, location and dates will be decided through consultations.

2. Scope of cooperation

- (1) Weather data exchanges, especially exchange of weather radar data
- (2) Airport wind shear detection and alerting techniques, especially sharing of experience on the use of LIDAR/radar data
- (3) Convection detection and nowcasting technique, especially sharing of experience in the provision of SIGMET for international civil aviation
- (4) Implementation of Competency Assessment System and audit process for aeronautical meteorological personnel

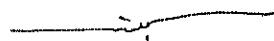
3. Period of cooperation

The cooperation based on this Memorandum will be effective from the date signed and will continue to take effect unless notice of termination is served by either participant with at least one month's notice in writing to the other participant.

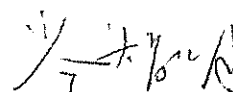
4. Resolution of disputes

This Memorandum of Understanding is a record of the understanding between the participants and is not legally binding. It is not intended to create and does not create any legally binding rights, liabilities or obligations under any law on the part of either participant or any other person. Any disagreement regarding the interpretation or application of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be resolved by consultations between the participants and shall not be referred to any international tribunal or third party for settlement.

Signed in duplicate at Bangkok on this day of 18th September 2017, in the English language.



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