AGREEMENT

FOR MUTUAL COOPERATION AND EXCHANGE OF NEWS

BETWEEN

QATAR NEWS AGENCY (QNA)

AND

THE UNITED NEWS OF INDIA (UNI)

Qatar News Agency (QNA),

And

United News of India (U.N.I),

Hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Parties"

<u>Desiring</u> to establish friendly relationships and fruitful cooperation between the media institutions in the State of Qatar and the Republic of India;

Now, therefore the Parties have agreed as follows:

Article (1) Purpose of the Agreement

The purpose of this Agreement is to enhance and develop bilateral cooperation in the field of news services exchange.

0/2

2

Article (2) Scope of cooperation

The Parties shall cooperate, in the framework of this Agreement, on the following activities:

- Encouraging the exchange of visits between journalists, technicians and news photographers among the Parties in order to benefit from the expertise of each Party, where each Party shall bear the expenses of its own delegation.
- Exchanging the English-Language news on a daily basis and free of charge, in order to distribute it to local media, on condition that reference is made to its source.
- 3) Exchanging the news services through new and available technologies such as (FTP & satellites), on condition that each Party shall give the other Party the user name and pass word to facilitate the free access to each other's services.
- Providing possible facilities and assistance for each other's correspondents and envoys in the country of the other Party.
- Exchanging photographs in accordance with the technical capabilities of each Party.
- 6) Organizing annual exchange visits programs for two (2) of the staff of each Party (through advance coordination), where each Party shall bear the expenses of its own delegation.
- 7) Each Party shall give due and special attention to the important national holidays and occasions of the other Party, in a manner that commensurate with those occasions in terms of news and photographic coverage



X

Article (3) Scope of news distribution

- The two Parties agree to use each other's news items in their news bulletins and to distribute these news items to local media on condition that reference is made to their source without prejudice and without making any changes to or distortions to the content of the news items being used.
- 2) Neither of the two Parties shall be allowed to distribute the other Party's news to any other news agencies or news companies outside their respective countries, without the prior written approval from the other Party.

Article (4) Settlement of disputes

Any disputes between the Parties arising out of the interpretation or application of this Agreement shall be settled amicably through friendly consultations and mutual professional understanding.

Article (5) Amendment

This Agreement or any text of it shall be amended by mutual written agreement between the Parties and these amendments shall enter into force in accordance with the same procedures provided for in Article (8) of this Agreement, and shall constitute an integral part of this Agreement.

Article (6) The Competent Authorities

The Parties agree that the e-mail address for each of them to communicate thereon, for activating this Agreement is as follows:

- 1- Qatar News Agency (QNA) qna.org.qa
- 2- United News of India (U.N.I) united@uniindia.com



X

Article (7) Entry into force

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which both parties have provided a notification to each other that the legal procedures applicable in both countries have been completed, and shall be valid for one (1) year, automatically renewable for an equal period/ or other similar periods, unless one of the Parties notifies the other Party of its intention to terminate the Agreement, in writing, and through diplomatic channels, at least two (2) months before the termination date or until the expiration date of the corresponding period.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorized by their respective Parties, have signed this Agreement.

For the Qatar News Agency (QNA)

For the United News of India (U.N.I)