MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF METEOROLOGY AND HYDROLOGYOF BULGARIA AND TURKISH STATE METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE IN THE FIELD OF METEOROLOGY

The National Institute of Meteorology and Hydrology of Bulgaria and Turkish State Meteorological Service (hereafter referred to as the Parties),

Recognizing the importance of technical and scientific cooperation in the field of meteorology according to the principles of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO),

Wishing to contribute to the establishment of a more sustainable and closer collaboration between Parties,

Agreed on following articles:

ARTICLE 1

Parties, according to their needs and possibilities, shall cooperate in the field of meteorology and exchange their staff, on the base of equity, mutual benefit and reciprocity.

ARTICLE 2

The subjects of the cooperation activities shall be:

- **Numerical Weather Prediction**
- Meteorological Observation Systems
- Radar Meteorology
- **Data Processing**
- Disaster Risk Reduction
- Calibration
- Marine Meteorology
- **Education and Training**

ARTICLE 3

The responsibility for each task or activity, and the conditions under which it will take place, including the payment of costs, shall be decided by mutual agreement upon the basis of equality and mutual benefit. If no special agreement on the costs has been agreed each side will bear its own costs.

ARTICLE 4

Director-Generals of both sides will meet within 6 months from the signing of this MoU to prepare an Action Plan for a period of a year and shall meet time to time to discuss the implementation of Action Plan.

> Signed at Istanbul on 22 September 2010

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Director-General

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Signed at Istanbul

on 22 September 2010

Mr. Mehmet CAĞLAR **Director-General**

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