AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION BETWEEN THE COMMISSION ON TELEVISION AND RADIO OF ARMENIA AND THE RADIO AND TELEVISION COMMISSION OF LITHUANIA

PREAMBLE

The Commission on Television and Radio of Armenia (hereinafter referred to as the CTR), represented by **Mr. Tigran Hakobyan**, the chairman of the CTR and the Radio and Television Commission of Lithuania (hereinafter referred to as the RTCL), represented by **Mr. Rimantas Bagdzevičius**, the chairman of the RTCL, hereinafter referred to as "**Parties**",

guided by the objectives, provisions and principles of the Directive 2010/13/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 March 2010 on the coordination of certain provisions laid down by law, regulation or administrative action in Member States concerning the provision of audiovisual media services (Audiovisual Media Services Directive),

have signed this Agreement with a view to develop and strengthen the cooperation between the RTCL and the CTR in the area of broadcasting regulation.

Based on principles of reciprocal respect, mutual confidence and advantageous partnership and operating within the bounds of their competence and the legislation in force in the territories of the Member States, the Parties have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Parties shall conduct mutual exchange of information regarding legal regulatory documents, standards and elaborated methods and methodologies, in order to improve the understanding of the international and European Union legal acts, other provisions of the legislation in force in the territories of the countries, applicable regulations and regulatory aspects related to the audio-visual field and will not object to the publication of the reports resulting from the said activity.

Article 2

The Parties shall conduct mutual exchange of delegations and experts for audio-visual events, including national trainings and/or skill raising programmes, shall take part in conferences, seminars and other international activities organized by one of the Parties.

Article 3

The Parties shall consult each other on issues of common interest and shall exchange experiences in the field of their national audio-visual activities.

Article 4

For the purpose of the implementation of the provisions of this Agreement, the Parties shall bear their own traveling expenses, except for the cases when it is agreed otherwise.

Article 5

The acquired achievements obtained as a consequence of mutual activities shall be a common patrimony belonging to **the Parties**. Restrictions on publication of the common achievements may be imposed only under the provisions of the national legislation valid in the territory of both **Parties**' States, as well as in cases stipulated in the special way prior to the commencement of activities.

Article 6

Changes and amendments to the present Agreement shall be made after a written agreement between the **Parties** and will be considered an integral part of this Agreement. Amendments to the Agreement shall enter into force in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 8 (1) of the Agreement.

Article 7

Disputes and disagreements concerning the interpretation, application or implementation of the provisions of this Agreement shall be settled by direct negotiations and consultations between **the Parties**. Amendments to the Agreement shall enter into force in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 8 (1) of the Agreement.

Article 8

- 1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signature, and shall remain in force until one of the contracting Parties declares an intention to terminate it.
- 2. If one of **the Parties** considers it necessary to terminate it, **that Party** shall inform **the other Party** in a written form about this, 30 days in advance. When the 30 days period expires, the Agreement ceases its validity.

Done in Vilnius on 9 June 2022 in two copies each in the Lithuanian, Armenian and English languages, all the texts being equally authentic. In case of discrepancies in the interpretation of the provisions of this Agreement, the English text shall prevail.

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