



DEED OF FOUNDATION

AIR CRASH VICTIMS' FAMILIES' FEDERATION INTERNATIONAL

Preamble

The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), based in Montreal, Canada, has approved and published its Policy on *Assistance to Aircraft Accident Victims and their Families* (Document 9998 AN/499-2015).

In a number of countries, associations of families / victims have been set up following major commercial aviation accidents. In 1983, following the crash of KAL-007, the ACVFG (Air Crash Victims Family Group) was created, and its President Hans Ephraimson was invited to attend the meetings of the ICAO such as High-Level Safety Conferences and General Assemblies, as an "observer".

In 2010 the ACVFG encouraged the creation of the Assistance to Aircraft Accident Victims Policy Task Force (AVPTF), which developed the aforementioned Doc. 9998, which was subsequently approved in the Board meeting of March 2013 and ratified by the 38th General Assembly in September of that same year.

Certain associations of families / victims (hereinafter referred to as "Founders") wish to have a greater presence in the meetings of the ICAO in order to cooperate and be able to influence States in the international development of policies and regulations on assistance to victims of commercial aviation accidents. The Founders are convinced that they must speak with a single voice, and that the larger the group and the wider the geographical representation of victims from different countries, the greater will be the influence of the family associations in their dialogue with the ICAO (among other international bodies).

On the occasion of the ICAO High-Level Safety Conference 2015, the Provisional Chairwoman of the ACVFG, Pilar Vera Palmés, Chairwoman of Spain's AVJK5022 (*Asociación de Afectados del Vuelo JK5022* or Association of Affected by Flight JK5022 (Spanair, Madrid 2008)) was invited to intervene, and took part in the side-meeting addressing "Current Initiatives to Assist Accident Victims and their Families". She called on the international aviation community to allow the voices of victims and families to be heard in the major events of the ICAO and other international bodies, and announced the common wish of victims and families to create an umbrella organization that would invite other associations of victims and families from any country anywhere in the world in which there has been an air disaster to join, and that is the basis of the creation of this Federation.



By virtue whereof, mutually acknowledging one another's legal capacity and due representation, the following Founders, namely the Associations of Victims of Spain, Germany and Pakistan, meet at 10.30 a.m. on 21 July 2015, in Madrid:

- 1) From Spain: María del Pilar Vera Palmés, of Spanish nationality, with tax identification number (NIF) [REDACTED] representing the *Asociación Afectados del Vuelo JK5022*, of which she is the Chairwoman, having its registered office at Calle Pedro Medrano 6, 28029, Madrid.
- 2) From Germany: Bernd Gans, of German nationality, holder of passport number [REDACTED], representing the association *Hinterbliebene der Opfer des Flugzeugabsturzes AF447* (Families of Victims of Air Crash AF447) (HIOP AF447), of which he is Chairman, having its registered office at Barnackufer 29b, 12207 Berlin
- 3) From Pakistan: Junaid Uz Zaman Hamid, of Pakistani nationality, holder of passport number [REDACTED], representing AirBlue Crash Affectees Association (ACAA), of which he is Chairman, having its registered office at 57/II, Lane 21, Off Khayaben-e-Badbaan, Phase 7, DHA, Karachi-Pakistan.

The three Founder Associations hereby **AGREE**:

- 1) To incorporate an Association under Spanish Organic Act 1/2002 of 22 March regulating association law, which shall be called: ***Air Crash Victims' Families' Federation International (ACVFFI) – (Federación Internacional de Víctimas de Accidentes aéreos y sus Familias – FIVA AF)***
- 2) To approve the Articles of Incorporation, which are incorporated in this Deed of Foundation as an Appendix, by which the Federation will be governed, and which were read in this same act and unanimously approved by the parties convened.
- 3) To designate the Board of Directors of the Federation, the composition of which is as follows:
 - **Chairwoman: María del Pilar Vera Palmés, Chairwoman of the Asociación Española de Afectados del Vuelo JK5022, Spain.**
 - **Secretary: Prof. Dr. Ulrich von Jeinsen, Lawyer and Notary belonging to the HIOP AF447 Association, Germany.**

The Chairwoman and the Secretary shall remain in their posts until the General Assembly of the Federation is held, at which these appointments shall be renewed. This General Assembly shall preferably take place in Montreal on the occasion of the 39th ICAO General Assembly, in 2016, or of any other major international aviation event.



- 4) To inform the ICAO of the creation of the Federation and of its Articles of Association so that once it has been appropriately established as a non-governmental organization and recognized by the ICAO as an organization to be invited to the relevant meetings, the Federation can invite the associations of air crash victims' families from around the world to join as members.

There being no other business, the meeting was called to a close at 12.30 p.m. on 21 July 2015, in Madrid, the representatives of the three Founder Associations signing in token of their agreement:

Signed:
MS MARÍA DEL PILAR
VERA PALMÉS
Tax Identification Number:

Signed:
DR BERND
GANS
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MR JUNAID
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