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The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and the Government of the Republic of India, hereinafter referred to as "Contracting Parties" or "Contracting Countries";

desiring to secure harmonious development of the maritime commercial navigation between the Contracting Countries;

wishing to cooperate actively in the field of maritime commercial navigation;

observing the principles of freedom of the international commercial navigation;

have decided to conclude the present Agreement and have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

For the purposes of the present Agreement:

- 1. The term "vessel" shall mean vessel registered in accordance with the national legislations of respective Contracting Parities and sailing under its flag, excluding:
- (a) war ships;
- (b) other vessels performing services in the armed forces and paramilitary forces;
- (c) research vessel, (hydrographic, oceanographic and scientific);
- (d) fishing vessels, and
- (e) vessels performing functions of non-merchant character (governmental yachts, hospital ships, etc.);
- 2. The term "member of the crew" shall mean any person who is actually employed on board the vessel of any of the Contracting Parties, and holding the identity document as provided for in Article IX

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