Joint Declaration of Intent
Between the Federal Aviation Administration, on the one part,
And The Brazilian Space Agency, on the other part

The U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (hereinafter the “FAA”), on the one part, and the Brazilian Space Agency (hereinafter “AEB”), on the other part, having met on December 2, 2021 to discuss cooperation in the area of commercial space licensing activities;

RECOGNIZING the importance and mutual benefit to be gained from working together to protect public safety and property, as well as national security and foreign policy interests in commercial space launch and re-entry activities;

WHEREAS the FAA and AEB desire to promote and maintain dynamic safe and efficient commercial space activities; including where duplication of efforts will have economic impacts on both governments and the commercial space industry and operators;

NOW, THEREFORE, the FAA and AEB partners discussed and confirmed their intention to enhance, encourage, and work collaboratively in support of a future binding agreement for commercial space launch and reentry activities, by cooperating in the following ways:

1. Designating points of contact within each agency to advance the mission of commercial space licensing and authorizations;

2. Striving to meet once a month to conduct discussions and work cooperatively to develop an understanding of each other’s standards, rules, practices, and procedures, in the following areas:
   a. Environmental Review framework such as the Brazilian Institute of the Environment and Renewable Natural Resources (IBAMA) rules and regulations for commercial space;
   b. Authorities for ground safety at launch sites including other government entities roles and responsibilities;
   c. Authorization and/or approvals for local agreements including: terms of launch and reentry site use, Notices to Mariners, Notices to Airmen, and mishap response;
   d. Expectations and processes for initial launch of U.S. companies at Alcantara Space Center;
   e. Current and future areas of interest that may be mutually decide upon; and

3. Establishing enhanced partnerships and communication mechanisms to streamline approvals of commercial space licensing activities and to minimize duplication of licensing efforts.

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