## In the name of Allah the merciful and gracious

The Joint Meeting Protocol Delegation of Ministry of Energy &Water, Islamic Republic of Afghanistan And

Ministry of Melioration & Water Resources and Ministry of Agriculture and Environment, Republic of Tajikistan

Date: August 3, 2007 - Assad 12, 1386 Dushanbe City, Tajikistan.

Delegation of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan led by of HE Alhaj Mohammad Ismail Minister of Energy and Water and delegation of Republic of Tajikistan led by HE Saidi Yaqubzod Minister of Melioration & Water Resources and HE Abdul Wahid Krimov, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Environment, Republic of Tajikistan had come to this agreement after discussions:

- 1. Cooperation on planning and investment of the projects and programs for integrated and sustainable water management of Amu River based of bilateral agreement.
- 2. Implementation of joint water resources development projects with equal shares and bilateral benefits of the both countries.
- 3. Execution and implementation plans for bank protection of Amu and Panj Rivers and reduction of negative impacts of floods.
- 4. Provision of facilitation to the technical investigation groups of water and power and ensuring their security.
- 5. Permission of site study for groups of investigation and projects design including permit to ship necessary working and technical equipments, commuting of staff for hydro meteorological, topographical and geological surveys in the Upper Amu Darya, Dasht-e-Jum and other required points of interest of the both countries.
- 6. Provision of working condition to rehabilitate previous and determining of sites for installation of new hydrological gauging stations on Panj and Amu rivers, which are considered important to both sides, will be implemented by technical staff of both counties.
- 7. Provision of facilitation and permanent permission to the experts and working groups of both sides for execution of construction works and monitoring of hydrological gauging stations on tributaries of Panj River.

- 8. Accessibility to the observations and information of hydro meteorological and other technical documents of upper Amu River, Dasht-e-Jum and other locations of interest.
- 9. Organizations of both parties are responsible to bear all expenditures incurred for accommodation, food allowances, transportation of their technical staff.
- 10. Solving of problems related to this protocol will be implemented via agreement of Foreign Ministries of the two countries.

This protocol set in two original copies in Dari and Tajiki languages with equal authentic, signed on August 3, 2007 – Assad 12, 1386 by both parties.

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