Memorandum of Understanding

between
the Federal Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Austria
and
the Ministry of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina

on enhancing bilateral cooperation
in the field of prevention of natural and man-made disasters and removal of their consequences

The Federal Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Austria and
the Ministry of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina

- in recognition of the fact that increased bilateral cooperation in the field of prevention of natural and man-made disasters and removal of their consequences is highly important,

- led by the desire for a close cooperation of their Ministries and their subordinate agencies, hereafter referred to as "Ministries", and by applying existing international agreements and other international law,

express their wish for a closer cooperation in the areas mentioned below.

1. The cooperation between the Ministries will comprise:

   a) Mutual assistance in the event of major natural and man-made disasters;
   b) Exchange of information and best practice in the field of prevention of natural and man-made disasters.

2. To encourage cooperation, the Ministries will take the following measures:
a) Regular exchange of information and best practice in the field of prevention of natural and man-made disasters via expert meetings, workshops and seminars;
b) Participation in national trainings and exercises;
c) Exchange of experts in the field of prevention of natural and man-made disasters.

3. Each side will bear the costs incurred by their respective authorities in the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding.

4. This Memorandum of Understanding is concluded sine die and takes effect from the date of its signature. The effectiveness of this Memorandum of Understanding can be cancelled by either side by written notification through diplomatic channels. Such notification will become effective six months after the date of receipt by the respectively other side.

Drawn up in Vienna, 13 June 2015, in two copies in the English language.

For The Federal Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Austria

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For The Ministry of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina

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