



## **American Red Cross**

### **Statement of Understanding**

between

**The Washington DC Chapter  
National Defense Transportation Association  
and**

**The Washington Metropolitan Area Consortium of Chapters  
American Red Cross**

### **Objective**

To enable Washington DC Chapter of the National Defense Transportation Association (NDTA) and the Washington Metropolitan Area Consortium (WMAC) of chapters of the American Red Cross (ARC) to cooperate in disaster services activities, especially with respect to Logistics.

### **Background**

Cooperation between the NDTA and the American Red Cross is documented by the "Statement of Understanding Between The National Defense Transportation Association and The American National Red Cross," signed July 8, 1993 by then-NDTA President Edward Honor and then-President of the American Red Cross, Elizabeth Dole (attached). The Statement provides for a broad range of cooperation between the two organizations at all levels in the area of disaster services.

More recently, a representative of the Washington DC Chapter of NDTA approached WMAC Logistics to see if local NDTA volunteers could be of assistance to the American Red Cross in the Washington Metropolitan Area with respect to disaster services. After further discussions, the two parties agreed to pursue cooperation, as described below.

### **Cooperation**

There are several areas in which NDTA volunteers can be of assistance to WMAC as it prepares to offer disaster services in the future. These include, but are not limited to, recruitment of interested logistics professionals into the core leadership group of the WMAC Logistics Function; recruitment of interested logistics professionals to be available as needed to staff the Logistics Function in the event of a WMAC disaster response; and guidance and advice from NDTA members on various aspects of disaster preparedness.

To that end, the Washington DC Chapter of NDTA and WMAC agree to the following program of cooperation:

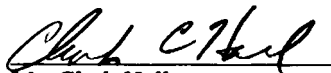
1. To identify local NDTA members who are interested in taking part in WMAC disaster preparedness and response activities.
2. To organize a basic training program sufficient to qualify interested NDTA volunteers for membership in the ARC Disaster Services Human Resources system.
3. To place interested NDTA volunteers in the WMAC Logistics Function, according to WMAC needs and the volunteers' interests.

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National Capital Area Chapter, including the District of Columbia, the counties of Fairfax, Montgomery and Prince George's,  
and the cities of Fairfax and Falls Church*

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**Other Obligations**

This agreement shall have a term of five years from the date of signature, and may be renewed for additional five-year periods for as long as the parties choose to do so. The agreement may be terminated by either party, with 30 days notice. The agreement confers no financial or material obligation on either party.



Mr. Clark Hall,  
President  
Washington, DC Chapter  
National Defense Transportation Association

7/15/04

Date



Ms. Lynn Keefe,  
Chief Executive Officer  
Arlington County Chapter  
American Red Cross

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