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ON THE

COMMERCIAL CONTRACT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF GHANA AND QUEIROZ GALVAO
CONSTRUCTION UK LIMITED FOR THE DESIGN
AND EXECUTION OF WORKS IN RESPECT OF
THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE
TAMALE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

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1.0 **INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 The Commercial Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Ghana (represented by the Ministry of Transport and Ghana Airports Company Limited) and Queiroz Galvao Construction UK Limited for the design and execution of works in respect of the design and construction of Tamale International Airport Phase 2 was laid in the House on Tuesday, 25th October, 2016 by the Hon. Minister for Foreign Affairs and Regional Integration, Ms. Hannah Serwaah Tetteh on behalf of the Minister for Finance.
- 1.2 The Rt. Hon. Speaker referred the Agreement to the Committee on Roads and Transport for consideration and report in accordance with Article 181(5) of the 1992 Constitution and Order 189 of the Standing Orders of Parliament of Ghana.
- 1.3 The Committee met with the Hon. Minister for Transport, Hon. Fifi Fiavi Kwetey and officials from the Ministry of Transport and the Ghana Airports Company Limited (GACL) and considered the Agreement. The Committee presents its report to the House in accordance with Order 161 of the Standing Orders of the House.

2.0 **BACKGROUND**

2.1 Parliament approved the Phase 1 of the Contract Agreement between the Government of Ghana and the Construtora Queiroz Galvão S.A of Brazil on 14th November, 2013.

The scope for the project for the Phase 1 included the strengthening of the existing runway pavement of 2438 metre length, rehabilitation and extension of the existing runway to 3,400 metres, the widening and strengthening of the main taxi-link to the Apron and the expansion of the existing Apron to accommodate 3 wide-bodied aircrafts. This Phase has been completed since August, 2016.

2.2 At the conclusion of works for the Phase 1 of the Project, the GACL deems it necessary to undertake further works geared at making the Tamale Airport handle international air operations as an alternative to the Kotoka International Airport. Again, works detailed in the Phase 2 would be complementary at making the Tamale Airport provide efficient services to both international and domestic passengers while supporting the programmes of the Savannah Accelerated Development Authority (SADA).

3.0 PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT

- As earlier stated, the conclusion of works entailed in the Phase 2 of the Project would position the Tamale Airport serve as an alternative facility to the Kotoka International Airport should there be an emergency at the latter, that warrant the use of another aerodrome capable of receiving international flights and large aircraft.
- 3.2 The Project would serve as pole of development geared at opening up the Northern part of the country and attract flights from the Sahelian countries.

4.0 JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT

4.1 The development of the Tamale Airport is key in the attainment of decentralization for effective economic growth and in support of the Agricultural sector by leveraging

the export of fresh produce and support agro-based national strategic goal leading to the establishment of agro-based industries in the northern parts of the country.

- 4.2 It will facilitate International travel for Hajj pilgrimage in Northern Ghana and from the Sahelien countries.
- 4.3 The Tamale International Airport is the alternative international destination point to Kotoka International Airport (KIA), Accra for emergency cases or closure of KIA.
- 4.4 The Tamale Airport would have a Maintenance Repairing Operations (MRO) facility after the conclusion of works. It will be the only MRO facility in the country which could also attract aircrafts from other African countries for servicing.

5.0 **PROJECT SCOPE**

- 5.1 The Project includes the following:
 - (i) Design for Scope of Works under this Phase,
 - (ii) Construction of a 250,000 capacity main Airport Terminal building of approximately 3,000 square metre expandable in the future,
 - (iii) A Hajj Facility,
 - (iv) A two-lane single carriageway access road, and secondary roads,
 - (v) Landside and Airside Infrastructure adapted to the Terminal size,
 - (vi) Water, Power and Sewage Infrastructure; and
 - (vii) An Apron extension.

The project is expected to be completed in 30 months.

6.0 OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATION

- The cost of the Phase 2 of the Project is estimated at Seventy Million United States Dollars (US\$70,000,000.00). The Committee went through the detailed breakdown of the projected cost and find the cost reasonable. This has been attached to the report as Appendix "A".
- The Committee also looked at the Master Plan for the Tamale Airport which has been zoned into maintenance repairs operations and commercial areas which will be implemented under Public Private Partnership Agreement.
- During the Committee's inspection visit of the Airport to familiarise itself with works of the Phase 1. It was observed that the facilities at the Airport were jointly used by GACL and the Ghana Airforce and expressed worry if that joint usage will not affect the efficiency of the facility as an alternative international airport. The Committee is pleased to note that the new infrastructure in the Phase 2 would be sited opposite the existing facilities and will be mainly used by GACL while the Ghana Airforce will use the old facilities.
- The Committee reiterated the need for GACL to ensure the participation of indigenous firms in aspects of the contract.
- 6.5 A major concern raised by the Committee relates to the proper acquisition of lands earmarked for the Tamale Airport expansion works. The Chiefs and Elders of Nyoglo in the Savelugu Municipality brought to the fore, during the Committee's visit, the case of an alleged unlawful acquisition of lands belonging to the Community by GACL. Although the Managing Director of GACL promised to ensure speedy resolution of the matter to forestall unimpeded work for the Airport expansion works, the Committee

has not been briefed on the matter. The Committee reiterates the need for GACL to properly acquire all the lands needed for present and future expansion works.

6.6 The Committee also stressed the need for the Ministry of Transport and Ghana Airports Company Limited to collaborate with SADA with regard to strengthening agrobased industries in the North which is one of the key benefits the Airport hopes to derive in future.

7.0 CONCLUSION

- 7.1 The Committee having carefully examined the request, is of the view that the Project would help attain the over-all national objective of promoting international and domestic travel and further open up the northern sector of the country.
- 7.2 The Committee respectfully recommends to the House to adopt its report and approve Commercial Contract Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Ghana and Queiroz Galvao Constructions UK Limited for an amount up to **Seventy Million**United States Dollars (US\$70,000,000.00) for the Design and Execution of Works in respect of the Design and Construction of the Tamale International Airport, Phase 2.

Respectfully submitted.

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APPENDIX 'A'

NEW T	DPMENT OF TAMALE AIRPORT PHASE 2	
IACAA II	ERMINAL, HAJJ FACILITIES AND ASSOCIATED WORKS	
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	US\$
1.	PRELIMINARY SERVICES	1,950,000
	Mobilization, Site Offices and production areas, topographical services, soil survey, demolitions and interference removal	
2.	TECHNICAL SERVICES &DESIGNS	2,800,000
	EIA and other technical reports required by the financing agent, Architectural Designs, Conceptual Designs, Basic and Execution Designs, Foundations, Installations, Airport Operation and Systems Designs, Air Conditioning and Equipment Designs, Contractor Construction Management and Indirect Costs	
3.	AIRSIDE ROADS	2,400,000
	Site clearing, base course, pavement, drainage and side walks	
4.	MAIN AND SECONDARY ROADS TO NEW TERMINAL LOCATION	10,400,000
	New access road , including base, pavement, drainage, sidewalks	
5.	Passenger Terminal, Civil Works (3000 m ² of constructed area)	40,000,000
	Steel Structure, Roofing with steel structure and double insulated metal sheets, glazing facades, Masonry, floors, finishing, doors, windows, toilets, painting, check-in booths, retail areas partitioning and finishing CUTE/CUPPS Systems, Flight information Display System, Paging/Announcements system, Baggage Handling / reconciliation system, Fiber and Copper IT cable infrastructure, 2 X-ray for carry-on bags, 2 Walk through Metal Detectors, Explosive trace detector for bags, 2 X-Ray for checked baggage, baggage handling system, 1 baggage reclaim conveyor, including training	
6.	Equipment and Utilities	7,250,000
	Electrical Installations, including generator, electronic installations, air conditioning, lightening protection system, hydraulic installations, Generators, Substation	

7	HAJJ VILLAGE AND ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER BUILDINGS	1,000,000
	CAR DARWING 4000 w²	2,000,000
8	CAR PARKING – 4000 m ²	2,000,000
	Excavation and clearing, excavation, earthworks, gravel base, surfacing, Fencing and Gates,	
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	SUB TOTAL	67,800,00
	Employers Fee for Supervision	2,200,000
	TOTAL US\$	70,000,000