



TO: MEPA Office

FROM: Tom Ennis

SUBJECT: L.G. Hanscom Field Hangar 24 Redevelopment Project (MHC# RC.40849)
Massport Hangar 24 MOA with MHC

DATE: August 30, 2007

Please find attached a copy of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Massport and Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) for the L.G. Hanscom Field Hangar 24 Redevelopment Project. This MOA is being submitted to MEPA for publication in the *Environmental Monitor* on September 10, 2007 for 20-day review and public comment period. All comments should be addressed to Massport at the address and e-mail listed below.

Please submit all comments by email to ennis@massport.com or by mail to the following:

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**Proposed
Memorandum of Agreement
between the
Massachusetts Port Authority
and the
Massachusetts Historical Commission
Regarding the Hangar 24, L. G. Hanscom Field Redevelopment
Concord, Massachusetts
8.24.2007**

WHEREAS, the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) has determined that the proposed project of the Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport) known as the Hangar 24, L.G. Hanscom Field Redevelopment project in Concord, Massachusetts will have an adverse effect upon the Hangar 24, L.G. Hanscom Field, pursuant to 950 CMR 71.05(a), a property that meets the criteria of eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria A and B at the local, state, and national levels (36 CFR 60); and

WHEREAS, Massport has consulted with the MHC pursuant to 950 CMR 71.00; and

WHEREAS, the Concord Historical Commission (CHC) has been invited to concur in the Memorandum of Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, Massport and the MHC agree that the undertaking shall be implemented in accordance with the following stipulations in order to take into account the effect of the undertaking on historic properties.

Stipulations

Massport will ensure that the following measures are carried out:

1. Documentation

Prior to any construction or demolition activity associated with the Hangar 24, L.G. Hanscom Field Redevelopment project, Massport will ensure that documentation of the building is undertaken in accordance with the following requirements:

- (a) Massport will engage a historic preservation consultant to complete archival quality photographic documentation of Hangar 24 in accordance with MHC standards. Archival quality black and white photographs will be taken of Hangar 24, the ancillary buildings, and the setting. The documentation shall provide views of all exterior elevations, major interior

spaces, and significant features (both typical and unique), including but not limited to, windows, entrances, and equipment/machinery. At least three context views shall be provided showing the structure in relationship to its setting. All photographs shall be keyed by number to a site plan, accompanied by negatives, and archival-processed, and numbered or captioned on the back with pencil, unmounted, and with no affixed labels.

- (b) Unless otherwise agreed to by the MHC, Massport will ensure that all documentation is completed and accepted by the MHC prior to the commencement of demolition activities and that one copy of this documentation is made available to both the MHC for subsequent transmittal to the Massachusetts State Archives and to the Concord Historical Commission.

2. **Salvage of Hangar Elements**

Massport shall ensure that a review of possible selected significant architectural elements of Hangar 24 is completed by a qualified historic preservation consultant and photographer. Massport shall allow an entity agreed upon by Massport and MHC to conduct a walk through of Hangar 24 in order to recommend selected significant architectural or engineering elements of Hangar 24 for preservation. To the extent feasible, Massport shall ensure that any elements identified for preservation by the consultant are salvaged and stored in a secure location for future interpretive display by Massport or others.

3. **Interpretive Display**

Massport shall install an interpretive display that illustrates the history of the Hangar 24 in appropriate publicly accessible place(s) at L.G. Hanscom Field, such as in the Civil Air Terminal. The display will incorporate historic views and archival documentation photographs, and a narrative on the history and significance of the building in a panel format. It may also include any salvaged architectural elements of Hangar 24 for display as objects, or as photographs of such elements.

4. **Aviation Museum**

Massport will work with interested parties to identify an appropriate site at L. G. Hanscom Field, or other suitable location, for a future aviation museum.

Execution of this Memorandum of Agreement by Massport and the MHC and implementation of its terms evidences that Massport has afforded the MHC the opportunity to comment on the proposed Hangar 24, L.G. Hanscom Field Redevelopment

project and its effects on historic properties and that Massport has taken into account the effects of the undertaking on historic properties.

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

By: _____ Date: _____
Brona Simon, Acting Executive Director,
Massachusetts Historical Commission
Massachusetts State Historic Preservation Officer

MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY

By: _____ Date: _____
[TITLE]

Concur:

CONCORD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

By: _____ Date: _____
Barbara Lynn-Davis Ph. D, Chairperson, Concord
Historical Commission