AMENDMENT OF THE AIRCRAFT PROTOCOL

(Presented by Egypt)

Summary

This paper proposes the necessary procedures for the adoption of the amendments to the Protocol and their entry into force.

1. The draft Aircraft Protocol, as contained in DCME Doc No. 4, does not cover an important issue regarding amendments to the Protocol and their entry into force. The only reference of relevance to this issue in the draft Protocol is in Article XXXII, paragraph 2(d), of the draft Protocol entitling the Review Board to consider “whether any modifications to this Protocol or the arrangements relating to the International Registry are desirable.”

2. In order to fill this gap, Egypt proposes the incorporation of an Article in Chapter VI dealing with the final provisions of the Protocol. The proposed Article shall read as follows:

   “1. – Subject to the provisions of Article XXXII of the present Protocol, UNIDROIT and ICAO Secretariats shall communicate to the Contracting States the results of the review by the Review Board on the matters specified in the above-mentioned Article, including the need for any amendments of the present Protocol or the arrangements of the International Registry. If such review receives the approval of not less than twenty-five per cent of the Contracting States, a Conference of Contracting States shall be convened by the two Secretariats which shall prepare the necessary work to be considered by the Conference.

   2. – Any amendment of the present Protocol shall be approved by a simple majority of the Contracting States participating in this Conference.

   3. – Amendments of the present Protocol as referred to in paragraph 2 above shall enter into force pursuant to the provisions of Article XXVI of the present Protocol.”

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