DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE TO ADOPT A MOBILE EQUIPMENT CONVENTION AND AN AIRCRAFT PROTOCOL

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CONCLUSIONS OF THE EUROCONTROL INFORMAL CONSULTATION GROUP

(Presented by South Africa on behalf of the Informal Consultation Group)

The Informal Consultation Group was comprised of the following delegations: Argentina, Belgium, Cameroon, Canada, Congo, Ivory Coast, Egypt, France, Germany, Jamaica, Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, United States, EUROCONTROL, IATA.

CONCEPTS:

1. If applicable law permits collection of fees in a Contracting State for aviation charges, wherever incurred, the Contracting State may make a declaration to that effect.

2. Non-Contracting States should not be permitted to make such declarations.

RECOMMENDATION:

Revise definition as follows in Article 1(s):

“Non-consensual right or interest” means a right or interest conferred under a declaring State’s law to secure the performance of an obligation, including an obligation to a State, State entity or an intergovernmental or private organization.

Add the following paragraph to the travaux préparatoires concerning both Articles 38 and 39:

“A declaration under paragraph 1 of Articles 38 and 39 shall, besides reference to the non-consensual right or interest, include reasonable information on its nature and on the nature of the obligation, which performance it may secure.”

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