THE DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT PROTOCOL TO THE CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL INTERESTS IN MOBILE EQUIPMENT ON MATTERS SPECIFIC TO SPACE ASSETS (meeting in Berlin on 9 March 2012),

HAVING ADOPTED the Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters specific to Space Assets (the Protocol);

MINDFUL of the existing Official Commentaries to, on the one hand, the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol thereto on Matters specific to Aircraft Equipment and, on the other, the Protocol on Matters specific to Railway Rolling Stock, as well as their importance;

RECOGNISING the increasing use of commentaries of this type in the context of modern, technical commercial law instruments;

CONSCIOUS of the need for an official commentary on the Protocol as an aid for those called upon to work with this instrument; and

MINDFUL that the Explanatory Note on the draft Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters specific to Space Assets submitted to the Conference (DCME-SP – Doc. 4) provides a sound starting point for the further development of this official commentary;
RESOLVES:

TO REQUEST that:

(1) the Reporter prepare an official commentary on the Protocol, in close co-operation with UNIDROIT and in co-ordination with the Chairman of the Commission of the Whole, the Chairman of the Final Clauses Committee and the Chairman and members of the Drafting Committee; and

(2) the Official Commentary be circulated for comment in draft form among the States and observers that participated in the Conference prior to its publication being authorised.