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

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COMMENTS ON DRAFT CONVENTION AND DRAFT PROTOCOL

(Presented by Uruguay)

The general comments on the text of the draft Convention and Draft Protocol in question are in general terms the following:

- The texts suffer from legal imprecisions which break American and European continental domestic law, as a result of the Spanish translations being defective in many cases.
- Excessive autonomy of the parties is noted. This may affect public order in certain cases.
- The very small number of ratifications foreseen for entry into force is surprising in view of the fact that there are over 180 ICAO Contracting States.
- The references to articles to interpret other articles makes it difficult to read the articles.

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