



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

(Cape Town, 29 October to 16 November 2001)

**PROPOSAL CONCERNING CONTINUATION OF EXAMINATION OF MATTERS  
RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRY**

(Presented by France and the United States)

1. **INTRODUCTION**

1 The International Registry Task Force, as established at the Third Joint Session in  
2 Rome from 20 to 31 March 2000, has, in accordance with its terms of reference, reported to the  
3 Secretariats of ICAO and UNIDROIT.

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5 Previous work is deemed completed with the exception of the regulations of the  
6 International Registry which are an on-going project.

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8 Nevertheless, there are outstanding and important issues relating to the linkage  
9 between registration authorities (national registries) and the International Registry.

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11 Examples of issues common to registration authorities are:

- a) substantive and procedural matters concerning registration authorities as designated points of entry to the International Registry;
- b) how registration authorities will treat prospective international interests;
- c) consideration with respect to non-consensual interests under Articles 38 and 39 of the Convention; and
- d) cancellation of aircraft registration based on requests by authorized persons.

**RECOMMENDATION**

1 It would be desirable that, as soon as possible, this Conference give consideration to  
2 the creation of an International Registry Advisory Group (IRAG) to give support and advice to the  
3 Supervisory Authority under the following terms of reference:

- a) further work on draft regulations for the International Registry;
- b) examination and reporting about issues common to registration authorities as described in paragraph 1.4 above with a view to facilitating prompt and successful establishment of the International Registry; and
- c) work on such other matters relating to the International Registry as the Supervisory Authority may request with a view to insuring the establishment of the International Registry when the Convention and Protocol enter into force.

1                   The above recommendation assumes that the costs of the functioning of the IRAG  
will not be borne by the Supervisory Authority.

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