

## New Zealand Country Summary Note

### Introduction

1. You have asked us to prepare a comprehensive collection of all documents relating to ratification and accession by New Zealand to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters specific to Aircraft Equipment (together the **Cape Town Convention**).
2. We enclose a list of all relevant documents, together with the country summary note summarising the steps New Zealand took in relation to the above.

### Ratification and Accession

3. New Zealand's accession to the Cape Town Convention was given initial consideration by the New Zealand Government's Ministry of Transport (refer to [National Interest Analysis on the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment 2001 and Protocol on Matters specific to Aircraft Equipment 2001](#)).
4. A [Civil Aviation \(Cape Town Convention and Other Matters\) Amendment Bill](#) (the **Bill**) was then introduced to Parliament on 31 May 2010 after consideration by the Transport and Industrial Relations Select Committee (**Select Committee**) (refer to [The Cape Town Convention and Aircraft Protocol Treaty examination briefing for Transport and Industrial Relations Select Committee](#)). The Bill passed through several steps in parliament before becoming an Act (and therefore a binding piece of legislation in New Zealand). The steps taken were as follows:
  - (a) Introduction to Parliament – this occurred on 31 May 2010. From this point the Bill was available to the public.
  - (b) New Zealand House of Representatives Readings of the Bill- 22 June 2010
    - (i) As a matter of urgency, the first, second and third readings for the Bill were held collectively (refer to [Bills Digest - Civil Aviation \(Cape Town Convention and Other Matters\) Amendment Bill 2010 and Parliamentary Debates](#)).
    - (ii) The Bill was passed by the House of Representatives. (c) Royal assent

- (i) The Bill was given Royal assent by the Governor-General on 30 June 2010 (refer to the [Civil Aviation \(Cape Town Convention and Other Matters\) Amendment Act 2010](#) and *Civil Aviation Act 1990*, as amended).
- (d) Commencement
- (i) The Bill commenced on 1 August 2010 with the exception of sections 12-13 which commenced on 1 November 2010 (refer to [Civil Aviation \(Cape Town Convention and Other Matters\) Amendment Act Commencement Order 2010](#)).
- (e) Instruments of Accession and Declarations
- (i) On 20 July 2010, New Zealand deposited instruments of accession and made the relevant declarations under the Cape Town Convention with UNIDROIT (refer to [Instrument of Accession by New Zealand](#)). The Cape Town Convention's entry into force in New Zealand occurred on 1 November 2010.
  - (ii) By way of Order dated 18 October 2010 and commencing 1 November 2010, the declarations were issued (refer to [Civil Aviation \(Cape Town Convention and Aircraft Protocol Declaration\) Order 2010](#)).