



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

(Cape Town, 29 October to 16 November 2001)

COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT CONVENTION AND THE DRAFT PROTOCOL

(Presented by Japan)

1. **ARTICLE 55 OF THE DRAFT CONVENTION**

1.1 The Government of Japan would support Alternative A.

1.2 Although we recognize Alternative B's advantages that would create a clear priority system, including the pre-existing interests, which thereby reduce the risks for future transactions, we should be very attentive to the possible risks, incurred by the parties to the pre-existing transactions who fail to re-register their interest in the International Registry, as well as to the burdens and costs for the re-registration. Thus, after considering the advantages and disadvantages of both alternatives, the Government of Japan is led to make the above-mentioned conclusion.

1. **PARAGRAPH 2 OF ARTICLE XIX OF THE DRAFT PROTOCOL**

2.1 The Government of Japan proposes to change five calendar days to longer days (for example, ten calendar days) just for the practical reason that five days would be too short to complete all the steps for the discharge of the registration.

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