

## PART I. CONSTITUTIONAL AND GENERAL POLICY MATTERS

### THE CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION

<b>A29-1: ICAO's 50th Anniversary Celebrations (1994)</b>
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*Whereas* the 7th December 1994 will mark the 50th Anniversary of the signing of the Convention on International Civil Aviation at Chicago;

*Whereas* the preamble to the Convention on International Civil Aviation states that "the future development of international civil aviation can greatly help to create and preserve friendship and understanding among the nations and peoples of the world..." and Article 44 of that Convention states that ICAO should "develop the principles and techniques of international air navigation and ... foster the planning and development of international air transport so as to ... meet the needs of the peoples of the world for safe, regular, efficient and economical air transport";

*Whereas* the International Civil Aviation Organization, established by the Convention on International Civil Aviation, has since 1944 successfully met the above aims and objectives;

*Whereas* it is desirable that the significant contribution of civil aviation to the social and economic well-being of the peoples of the world be fully recognized;

*Whereas* ICAO continues to work with States and through their regional and international organizations to ensure that the growth of international civil aviation continues to contribute to international peace and development;

*The Assembly:*

1. *Approves* the development by the Council of a programme of activities that will include a major conference/meeting at ICAO Headquarters on 7 December 1994 along with appropriate publications distributed;

2. *Urges* Member States to establish a national focal point and to launch a programme of activities at the national level, financed by local resources, to celebrate the anniversary in an appropriate way;

3. *Urges* Member States to co-operate with the Regional Offices of ICAO to develop a programme of activities for which funding could be found within the Region;

4. *Authorizes* the Council to work with the United Nations and its agencies to launch activities to highlight the role of civil aviation in their work; and

5. *Declares* 7 December each year, starting in 1994, as International Civil Aviation Day and instructs the Secretary General to inform the Secretary-General of the United Nations accordingly.