

**ADMINISTRATIVE PACKAGE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE
INTERNATIONAL AIR SERVICES TRANSIT AGREEMENT
(CHICAGO, 1944)**

1. **Full Name of Instrument:**

International Air Services Transit Agreement, signed at Chicago on 7 December 1944 (Doc 7500)

2. **History:**

International Civil Aviation Conference held in Chicago, Illinois (U.S.A.) from 1 November to 7 December 1944

3. **Summary:**

The Agreement provides for the multilateral exchange of the first two freedoms of the air with regard to scheduled international air services, namely:

- a) the privilege to fly across the territory of a State without landing;
- b) the privilege to land for non-traffic purposes;

It also deals with designation of routes and airports, charges, revocation of permits and settlement of disputes.

4. **Main reasons for ratification:**

The International Air Services Transit Agreement (IASTA) strengthens and facilitates the operation of international scheduled air services by the multilateral exchange of privileges of overflight and technical stops.

5. **Entry into force:**

The Protocol entered into force on 30 January 1945.

6. **Depositary:**

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Attachment: Model Instrument of Acceptance and letter to the depositary

**NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE
BY THE
(NAME OF GOVERNMENT)**

WHEREAS the International Air Services Transit Agreement (hereinafter “the Agreement”) was concluded at Chicago on 7 December 1944 with the objective of strengthening and facilitating the operation of international scheduled air services;

WHEREAS any State a Member of the International Civil Aviation Organization may accept this Agreement as an obligation upon it by notification of its acceptance to the Government of the United States of America;

AND WHEREAS the (name of Government) is a Member of the International Civil Aviation Organization, having adhered to the Convention on International Civil Aviation (Chicago, 7 December 1944) on (date of adherence);

NOW THEREFORE, the (name of Government), having considered the said Agreement, hereby *ACCEPTS* the same, and undertakes faithfully to carry out all the stipulations therein contained;

AND BY THESE PRESENTS notifies the Government of the United States of America of its acceptance of the Agreement.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have signed this Notification of Acceptance and affixed hereunto the Seal of the (name of State).

Date

(Signature by Head of State,
Head of Government or
Minister for External Affairs)

Seal

(date)

Depositary Officer
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Sir,

I have the honour to send you herewith, for deposit, the Notification of Acceptance by the Government of the (name of State) of the International Air Services Transit Agreement, concluded at Chicago on 7 December 1944.

I should be grateful if, in due course, you would kindly inform me of the date of deposit of this Notification of Acceptance and of the corresponding date of entry into force of the International Air Services Transit Agreement for the (name of State).

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(signature)