

**ADMINISTRATIVE PACKAGE FOR RATIFICATION OF THE
PROTOCOL ON THE FINAL PARAGRAPH (CHINESE TEXT)**

1. Full Name of Instrument:

Protocol Relating to an Amendment to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, signed at Montreal on 1 October 1998.

2. History:

Assembly - 32nd Session, Montreal, 22 September to 2 October 1998

3. Summary:

The Protocol (Final paragraph, Chinese Text) of the Chicago Convention provides that the text of the Convention in the Chinese language is of equal authenticity.

This amendment is closely related to the *Protocol on the Authentic Six-Language Text of the Chicago Convention*, signed at Montreal on 1 October 1998 (“the Six-Language Text”). The Six-Language Text shall come into force on the thirtieth day after twelve States shall, in accordance with the provisions of Article III thereof, have signed it without reservation as to acceptance or accepted it **and** after entry into force of the Protocol of Amendment (Final paragraph, Chinese Text). The first requirement has been fulfilled. Therefore, when the Protocol of Amendment (Final paragraph, Chinese Text) enters into force, so shall the Six-Language Text. Once both Protocols have entered into force the Convention shall be equally authentic in the English, Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish languages.

4. Main reasons for ratification:

The availability of the Chinese authentic text of the Chicago Convention as well as the availability of its 19 Annexes, in the Chinese language, promotes safety by increasing accessibility of the text to a larger portion of the world’s population.

5. Entry into force:

The Protocol shall come into force on the date of deposit of the 124th instrument of ratification.

6. Depositary:

The Secretary General
Attention: Legal Affairs and External Relations Bureau
International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
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Attachment: Model Instrument of Ratification

MODEL
INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION
BY [NAME OF STATE]

WHEREAS the [name of State] is a party to the *Convention on International Civil Aviation*, signed at Chicago on 7 December 1944 (hereinafter “the Convention”), having adhered thereto on [date of adherence];

WHEREAS the aforesaid Convention has been amended by the Protocol hereinunder mentioned:

Protocol relating to an Amendment to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, signed at Montreal on 1 October 1998;

AND CONSIDERING it desirable that the [name of State] should become party to this Protocol of Amendment to the Convention on International Civil Aviation;

NOW THEREFORE, I, [name and title of the Head of State, Head of Government or Minister for Foreign Affairs] declare that the Government of the [name of State], having examined the said Protocol of Amendment, hereby *RATIFIES* the same, and confirms that the [name of State] shall abide by all of the provisions therein contained.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have signed this Instrument of Ratification at [place] on [date].

[Original Signature by the Head of State,
Head of Government or
Minister for Foreign Affairs]

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