

**ADMINISTRATIVE PACKAGE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE  
PROTOCOL ON THE AUTHENTIC SIX-LANGUAGE TEXT (1998)**

**1. Full Name of Instrument:**

**Protocol on the Authentic Six-Language Text of the Convention on International Civil Aviation (Chicago, 1944), signed at Montreal on 1 October 1998 (ICAO Doc 9721).**

**2. History:**

International Conference on the Authentic Chinese Text of the Convention on International Civil Aviation (Chicago, 1944), held in Montreal from 28 September to 1 October 1998.

**3. Summary:**

This Protocol contains, in its Annex, the Chinese text of the Chicago Convention provided for in the *Protocol Relating to an Amendment to the Convention on International Civil Aviation [Final paragraph, Chinese Text]*, signed at Montreal on 1 October 1998.

**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 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 Relating to an Amendment to the Convention on International Civil Aviation [Final paragraph, Chinese Text]*, signed at Montreal on 1 October 1998. The first requirement has already been fulfilled and the entry into force now awaits the coming into force of the Protocol of Amendment [Final paragraph, Chinese Text] which will enter into force on the date of deposit of the 124th instrument of ratification thereto.

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.

**6. Depositary:**

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Attachment: Model Instrument of Acceptance

**MODEL**  
**INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE**  
**BY [NAME OF STATE]**

*WHEREAS* the *Protocol on the Authentic Six-Language Text of the Convention on International Civil Aviation* (Chicago, 1944) (hereinafter “the Protocol”) was concluded at Montreal on 1 October 1998;

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

*AND WHEREAS* the [name of State] 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*, 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 considered the said Protocol, hereby *ACCEPTS* the same;

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

*IN WITNESS THEREOF*, I have signed this Instrument of Acceptance at [place] on [date] and affixed hereunto the Seal of the [name of State].

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

[Original Seal]