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ASSEMBLY — 41ST SESSION

LEGAL COMMISSION

DRAFT TEXT FOR THE GENERAL SECTION OF THE LEGAL COMMISSION'S REPORT

The attached material for inclusion in the General Section of its Report is submitted for consideration by the Legal Commission.

REPORT OF THE LEGAL COMMISSION TO THE ASSEMBLY

General

1. The Legal Commission held three meetings between 29 September and 4 October 2022. Dr. Jonathan Aleck (Australia) was elected by the Plenary as Chairperson of the Commission.
2. At its first meeting, the Commission elected Ms. Susanna Metsälampi (Finland) and Mr. Peter Amaleboba (Ghana) as its First and Second Vice-Chairpersons, respectively.
3. The three meetings of the Commission were held in open session.
4. Representatives from 114 Member States and several observer delegations attended one or more meetings of the Commission.
5. The Secretary of the Commission was Mr. Michael Gill, Director of the Legal Affairs and External Relations Bureau. Mr. Chunyu Ding, Deputy Director, acted as his Deputy. The Assistant Secretaries were Mr. Benoît Verhaegen, Senior External Relations and Legal Officer, Mr. Arie Jakob, Senior Legal Officer, Mr. Christopher Petras, Mr. Andrew Opolot, Mr. Yaw Nyampong, and Ms. Marla Weinstein, Legal Officers; as well as Ms. Diana Brookes, Mr. Mathieu Vaugeois and Ms. Ao Lei, Associate Legal Officers. Messrs. Silvério Espinola and Pier-Oliver Turcot, Consultants, also assisted the Commission.

Agenda and Working Arrangements

6. Agenda items 40, 41, 42 and 43 referred to the Commission by the Plenary were considered, as follows:
 - Item 40: Annual Reports of the Council to the Assembly for 2019, 2020 and 2021.
 - Item 41: Work Programme of the Organization in the legal field.
 - Item 42: Consolidated Statement of Continuing ICAO policies in the legal field.
 - Item 43: Other issues to be considered by the Legal Commission.
7. The documents and working papers considered by the Commission are listed by agenda items in the Appendix to the Report.
8. The action by the Commission in respect of each item is reported on separately in the paragraphs which follow. The material is arranged according to the numerical sequence of the agenda items considered by the Commission.