

A Standard to Require the Issuance of Machine readable Passports

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Objective

Adopt a Standard requiring all Contracting States to begin issuing Machine Readable Passports (MRPs) by **2006**, if they have not already done so by then.

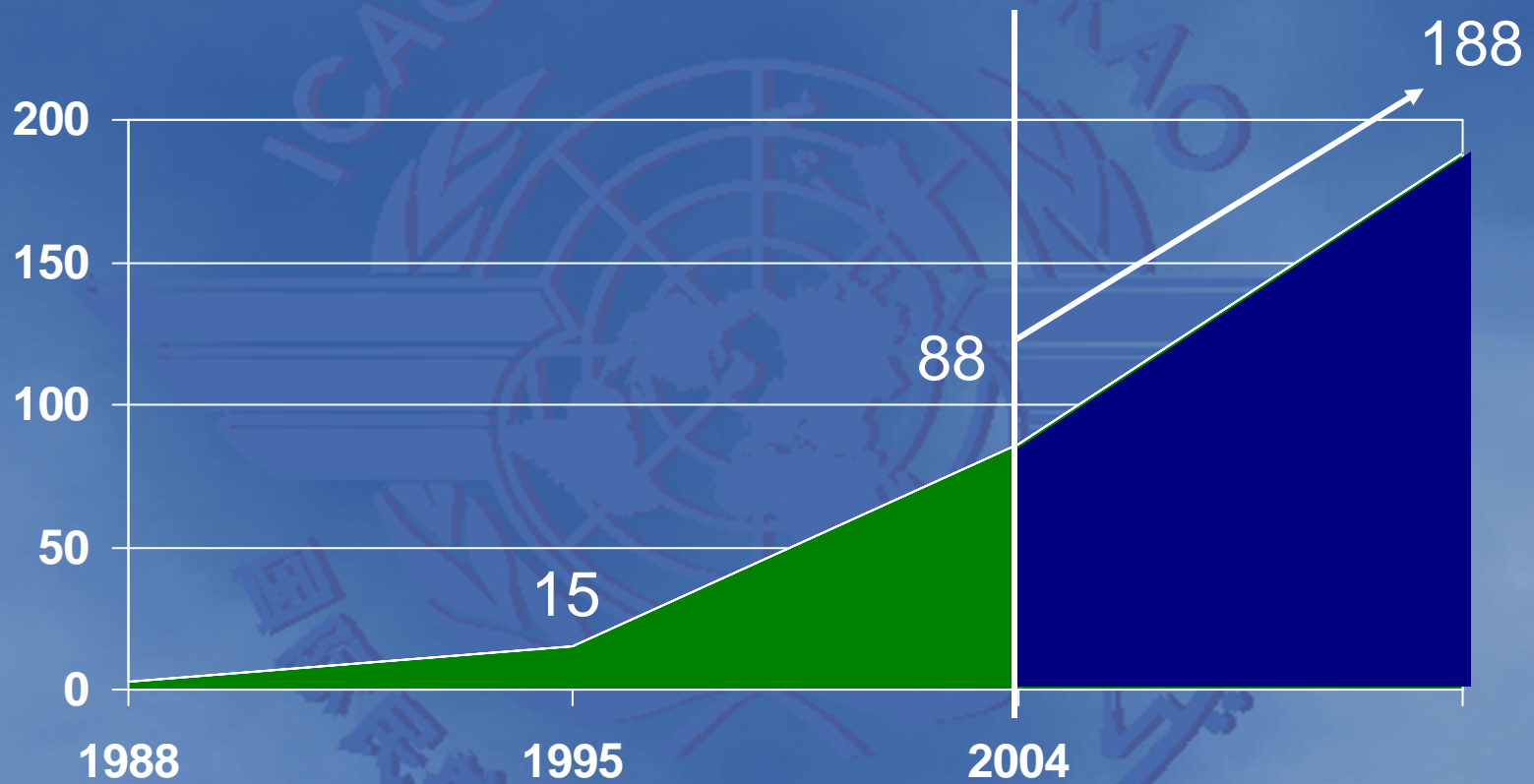
Chicago Convention Mandate

Contracting States prevent unnecessary delays by facilitating border clearance formalities and that they adopt internationally standard customs and immigration procedures (Articles 22 and 23).

Attributes of MRPs

- ✱ Standardization.
- ✱ Document security.
- ✱ Global interoperability.
- ✱ Benefits to the document holder
(2003 ICAO biometric “blueprint”)

MRPs Progress



MRPs Today

Goals

- ✿ Achieve universal implementation within a few years time – (ICAO Aviation Security Plan of Action)
- ✿ A worldwide implementation of a Standard

MRPs Today

ICAO Assistance upon requests
from member States

- ☀ Project planning
- ☀ Education
- ☀ Arrangements for financing
- ☀ Project management

