

The Minister of State for Transport, the Honourable Monique Vézina, who will be the chairperson of the Canadian delegation, stated that "the new instrument which this Conference is being convened to adopt will be a significant addition to the existing network of international agreements against terrorism, notably the 1971 Montreal Convention which applies to attacks against aircraft. Its adoption should also serve to underscore the important role of ICAO in the protection of civil aviation against unlawful interference."