

ARTICLE IX

1. There shall be fair and equal opportunity for the airlines of both Contracting Parties to operate the air services between their respective territories on the routes specified in the Route Schedule annexed to the Agreement.

2. In operating the air services, the airlines of each Contracting Party shall take into account the interests of the airlines of the other Contracting Party so as not to affect unduly the services which the latter provides on the whole or part of the same route.

3. The air services provided by the designated airlines of the Contracting Parties shall bear a close relationship to the requirement of the public for transportation on the specified routes and shall have as their primary objective the provision, at a reasonable load factor, of capacity adequate to carry the current and reasonably anticipated requirements for the carriage of passengers, cargo and mail between the territory of the Party which has designated the airline and the countries of ultimate destination of the traffic.

4. Provision for the carriage of passengers, cargo and mail both taken up and discharged at points on the specified routes in the territories of States other than that designating the airline shall be made in accordance with the general principles that capacity shall be related to:

- (a) traffic requirements to and from the territory of the Contracting Party which has designated the airline;
- (b) traffic requirements of the area through which the airline passes after taking account of other transport services established by airlines of the States comprising the area; and
- (c) the requirements of through airline operation.

5. Before inauguration of the air services on the routes specified in the Route Schedule annexed to this Agreement, the Contracting Parties shall agree to the practical application of the principles contained in the previous paragraphs of this Article regarding the operation of these air services by the designated airlines.

ARTICLE X

The aeronautical authorities of both Contracting Parties shall exchange at regular intervals and in a format agreed upon between these authorities, statements that include all information required to determine the amount of traffic carried on the routes specified in the Route Schedule and the origins and destinations of such traffic.