

- (b) each Contracting State agrees to employ procedures for granting airworthiness and environmental certification, approval, or acceptance for civil aeronautical products exported from the other Contracting State so as to give maximum practicable credit for technical evaluations, test results, inspections, marks of conformity, and certifications accepted or issued by the civil airworthiness authority of the exporting State in granting its own domestic certification of the products; and,
- (c) in the interest of promoting aviation safety and environmental quality, each Contracting State agrees to encourage cooperation and assistance between its civil airworthiness authority and that of the other Contracting State toward achieving common safety and environmental quality objectives, to establish and maintain airworthiness and environmental standards and certification systems which are as similar to those of the other Contracting State as is practicable, and to cooperate to discharge, effectively each Contracting State's airworthiness and environmental responsibilities while reducing, to the minimum, the economic burden imposed on each Contracting State's aviation industries and operator by avoiding redundant technical evaluations, tests, and inspections.

3. *SCOPE OF COVERAGE*

This Agreement applies to:

- (a) the acceptance by the importing State's airworthiness authority of the type design approval, including environmental approval, of civil aeronautical products for which the exporting State's airworthiness authority is the basic type certification authority;
- (b) the airworthiness certification, approval, or acceptance of civil aeronautical products that may be exported from one Contracting State to the other Contracting State, including both new and used products which were designed or manufactured partially or wholly in other States;
- (c) the airworthiness acceptance of maintenance or alterations performed in one Contracting State on aircraft which are under airworthiness regulation by the airworthiness authority of the other Contracting State, or on aircraft engines, propellers, appliances, materials, parts, or components installed thereon;
- (d) technical cooperation and assistance including the exchange of information between the civil airworthiness authorities of each Contracting State toward the maintenance of equivalent safety and environmental standards and the application of equivalent certification systems.

4. *DEFINITIONS*

For the purposes of this Agreement:

- (a) "*Additional Technical Conditions*" means the terms notified by the importing State for the acceptance of the type design of an aeronautical product to account for differences between Contracting States in:
 - (i) adopted airworthiness and environmental standards;