

ARTICLE XVIII**Ground Handling**

1. The designated airline or airlines of one Contracting Party may provide its own ground handling in the territory of the other Contracting Party or, at its option, have such ground handling services provided in whole or in part by any agent authorized by the competent authorities of the other Contracting Party to provide such services. Where a designated airline is precluded by national laws and regulations from providing its own ground handling such services shall be available without preference or discrimination to any airline engaged in similar international air services.
2. The designated airline or airlines of one Contracting Party may also provide ground handling services in whole or in part for other airlines operating at the same airport in the territory of the other Contracting Party.

ARTICLE XIX**Applicability to Non-scheduled Flights**

1. The provisions set out in Articles VII (Application of Laws), VIII (Safety Standards, Certificates and Licences), IX (Aviation Security), X (Use of Airports and Aviation Facilities), XIII (Customs Provisions), XV (Sales and Transfer of Funds), XVI (Taxation), XVII (Airline Representation), XVIII (Ground Handling) and XX (Consultations) of this Agreement shall be applicable also to non-scheduled flights operated by an air carrier of one Contracting Party into or from the territory of the other Contracting Party and to the air carrier operating such flights.
2. The provisions of paragraph 1 of this Article shall not affect national laws and regulations governing the authorization of non-scheduled operations or to the conduct of air carriers or other parties involved in the organization of such operations.

ARTICLE XX**Consultations**

1. In a spirit of close co-operation, the aeronautical authorities of the Contracting Parties shall consult each other from time to time with a view to ensuring the implementation of, and satisfactory compliance with, the provisions of this Agreement.
2. Such consultations shall begin within a period of sixty (60) days of the date of receipt of such a request, unless otherwise agreed by the Contracting Parties.

ARTICLE XXI**Modification of Agreement**

If either of the Contracting Parties considers it desirable to modify any provision of this Agreement, it may request consultations with the other Contracting Party. Such consultations, which may be between aeronautical authorities and which may be through discussion or by correspondence, shall begin within a period of sixty (60) days from the date of receipt of the request. Any modification agreed pursuant to such consultations shall come into force when it has been confirmed by an exchange of diplomatic notes.