

2. In the application of such laws and regulations, a Contracting Party shall, under similar circumstances, accord to the designated airlines of the other Contracting Party treatment no less favourable than that accorded to its own or any other airline engaged in similar international air services.

ARTICLE 7

Safety Standards, Certificates and Licences

1. Certificates of airworthiness, certificates of competency and licences, issued or rendered valid by the aeronautical authorities of one Contracting Party and still in force, shall be recognized as valid by the aeronautical authorities of the other Contracting Party for the purpose of operating the agreed services provided that such certificates or licences were issued or rendered valid pursuant to, and in conformity with, as a minimum, the standards established under the Convention. The aeronautical authorities of each Contracting Party reserve the right, however, to refuse to recognize, for the purpose of flights above its own territory, certificates of competency and licences granted to its own nationals by the other Contracting Party.

2. If the privileges or conditions of the certificates or licences referred to in paragraph 1 above, issued by the aeronautical authorities of one Contracting Party to any person or designated airline or in respect of an aircraft used in the operation of the agreed services, should permit a difference from the minimum standards established under the Convention, and which difference has been filed with the International Civil Aviation Organization, the other Contracting Party may request consultations between the aeronautical authorities of the Contracting Parties in conformity with Article 19 of this Agreement with a view to clarifying the practice in question.