

of that Contracting Party. Failure to reach a satisfactory agreement will constitute grounds for the application of Article IV of this Agreement.

4. The Contracting Parties shall act in conformity with the provisions of the Convention on offences and certain other Acts Committed on Board Aircraft, signed at Tokyo on September 14, 1963, the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Seizure of Aircraft, signed at the Hague on December 16, 1970, and the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation, signed at Montreal on September 23, 1971.

5. When an incident, or threat of an incident of unlawful seizure of aircraft or other unlawful acts against the safety of aircraft, airports and air navigation facilities occurs, the Contracting Parties shall assist each other by facilitating communications intended to terminate rapidly and safely such incident or threat thereof.

ARTICLE XVI

1. In a spirit of close co-operation, the aeronautical authorities of the Contracting Parties shall consult each other from time to time on the implementation, interpretation or application of this Agreement or compliance with this Agreement.

2. Such consultations shall begin within a period of sixty (60) days of the date of receipt in writing of such a request, unless otherwise agreed.

ARTICLE XVII

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 the written request. Any modification agreed pursuant to such consultations shall come into force when it has been confirmed by an exchange of diplomatic notes.

ARTICLE XVIII

1. If any dispute arises between the Contracting Parties relating to the interpretation or application of this Agreement, the Contracting Parties shall in the first place endeavour to settle it by negotiation.

2. If the Contracting Parties fail to reach a settlement by negotiation, they may agree to refer the dispute for decision to some person or body, or either Contracting Party may submit the dispute for decision to a Tribunal of three arbitrators, one to be nominated by each Contracting Party and the third to be appointed by the two arbitrators. Each of the Contracting Parties shall nominate an arbitrator within a period of sixty (60) days from the date of receipt by either Contracting Party from the other of a notice through diplomatic channels requesting arbitration of the dispute, and the third arbitrator shall be appointed within a further period of sixty