"Importing Party" means the Contracting Party importing a type design, a modification thereof, or an aeronautical product, under the provisions of this Agreement.

"Importing Authority" means the airworthiness authority of the importing Party.

"Maintenance" means actions to ensure the airworthiness of an aeronautical product not including alterations or modifications.

"Product Airworthiness Approval" means granting an airworthiness certificate, approval or acceptance, as appropriate, by or on behalf of an airworthiness authority for a particular aeronautical product to permit its operation or use consistent with applicable laws, regulations, standards and requirements.

"State Regulating the Airworthiness of an Aircraft" means the Contracting Party responsible for issuing a certificate of airworthiness for an aircraft, or the Contracting Party responsible for the certification of an operator operating, under lease or charter, an aircraft which possesses a certificate of airworthiness issued by another State.

"Time of First Application" means the time that the application was received for the approval of the aeronautical product type design either:

- (i) by the exporting authority; or
- (ii) in the case of an aeronautical product design introduced into and manufactured in the territory of the exporting Party from a third State with which both Contracting Parties have in force bilateral airworthiness agreements or arrangements similar in scope to this Agreement, by the airworthiness authority of a third State.

"Type Design" means the description of all characteristics of an aeronautical product, including its design, manufacture, limitations and continued airworthiness instructions, which determine its airworthiness.

"Type Design Approval" means granting a certificate, approval or acceptance by or on behalf of an airworthiness authority for the type design of an aeronautical product.

ARTICLE II

Scope

This Agreement applies to:

- (a) the acceptance by the importing authority, where the exporting authority is responsible for type certification, of the exporting authority's type design approval, including environmental approval, and at the option of the importing authority, of the exporting authority's finding of compliance with the importing authority's design-related operational requirements for aeronautical products, the type certification of which is the responsibility of the exporting authority;
- (b) the acceptance by the importing authority of the airworthiness certification, approval or acceptance of