

2. These staff requirements may, at the option of the designated airline of one Contracting Party, be satisfied by its own personnel or by using the services of any other organization, company or airline operating in the territory of the other Contracting Party, and authorized to perform such services in the said territory.

3. The designated airline of one Contracting Party shall provide ground handling services to the aircraft of the designated airline of the other Contracting Party, on a basis of reciprocity.

4. The representatives and staff shall be subject to the laws and regulations in force in the territory of the other Contracting Party, and, consistent with such laws and regulations, each Contracting Party shall, on the basis of reciprocity and with the minimum of delay, grant the necessary employment authorizations, visitor visas or other similar necessary documents to the representatives and staff referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article.

5. Both Contracting Parties shall dispense with the requirement of employment authorizations or visitor visas or other similar documents for personnel performing certain temporary services and duties except in special circumstances determined by the national authorities concerned. Where such authorizations, visas or documents are required, they shall be issued promptly free of charge so as not to delay the entry of the personnel concerned.

ARTICLE XVIII

(Applicability to Charter Services)

1. The provisions set out in Articles VII, VIII, IX, X, XII, XIII, XV, XVI, XVII and XIX of this Agreement shall be applicable also to charter 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 right of air carriers to operate charter flights or the conduct of air carriers or other parties involved in the organization of such operations.

ARTICLE XIX

(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 and of its Annex.