## MONTREAL PROTOCOL NO. 4

# TO AMEND THE CONVENTION FOR THE UNIFICATION OF CERTAIN RULES RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL CARRIAGE BY AIR SIGNED AT WARSAW ON 12 OCTOBER 1929 AS AMENDED BY THE PROTOCOL DONE AT THE HAGUE

# ON 28 SEPTEMBER 1955

## SIGNED AT MONTREAL ON 25 SEPTEMBER 1975

Entry into force	The Protocol entered into force on 14 June 1998		
Status:	57 Parties.		
This list, including the footnotes and reservations, reproduces the information			
received from the depositary, the Government of the Republic of Poland.			

State	Date of signature	Date of deposit of Instrument of Ratification, Accession (a)	Effective date
Argentina (1)	14 March 1990	or Succession (s) 14 March 1990	14 June 1998
Australia	24 April 1991		14 June 1998
Azerbaijan	24 April 1991	13 January 1997	
•		24 January 2000 (a)	23 April 2000
Bahrain	25 Santanah an 1075	21 January 1999 (a)	21 April 1999
Barbados	25 September 1975	10 Manah 2002	17 I 2002
Belgium  Description (2)	25 September 1975	19 March 2003	17 June 2003
Bosnia and Herzegovina (2)	25 C	3 March 1995 (s)	14 June 1998
Brazil	25 September 1975	27 July 1979 r	14 June 1998
Canada	30 December 1975	27 August 1999 r	25 November 1999
Chile	23 November 1984	1 October 2008 r	30 December 2008
Colombia	20 May 1982	20 May 1982	14 June 1998
Croatia (3)		14 July 1993 (s)	14 June 1998
Cyprus	10 November 1992	10 November 1992	14 June 1998
Democratic Republic of the	25 September 1975		
Congo			
Denmark	1 December 1976	4 May 1988	14 June 1998
Ecuador		12 February 1999 (a)	12 May 1999
Egypt	25 September 1975	17 November 1978	14 June 1998
Estonia	25 November 1997	16 March 1998	14 June 1998
Ethiopia	14 July 1987	14 July 1987	14 June 1998
Finland	2 May 1978	4 May 1988	14 June 1998
France	30 December 1975		
Ghana	25 September 1975	11 August 1997	14 June 1998
Greece	10 November 1988	12 November 1988	14 June 1998
Guatemala	25 September 1975	3 February 1997	14 June 1998
Guinea		12 February 1999 (a)	12 May 1999
Honduras		14 June 1998 (a)	12 September 1998
Hungary	29 June 1987	30 June 1987	14 June 1998
Iceland		28 June 2004 (a)	26 September 2004
Ireland	27 June 1989	27 June 1989	14 June 1998
Israel	27 November 1987	16 February 1988	14 June 1998
Italy	15 May 1978	2 April 1985	14 June 1998
Japan		20 June 2000 (a)	18 September 2000
Jordan		22 July 1999 (a)	20 October 1999
Kenya		6 July 1999 (a)	4 October 1999
Kuwait	21 March 1995	8 November 1996	14 June 1998
Lebanon		4 August 2000 (a)	2 November 2000
Luxembourg		25 September 2008 (a)	24 December 2008
Malaysia		18 January 2008 (a)	17 April 2008
Mauritius		14 June 1998 (a)	12 September 1998
Montenegro (10)		1 April 2008 (s)	3 June 2006
Morocco	18 October 1984		

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Nauru		14 June 1998 (a)	12 September 1998
Netherlands (4)	19 May 1982	7 January 1983	14 June 1998
New Zealand (5)		3 December 1999 (a)	2 March 2000
Niger		14 June 1998 (a)	12 September 1998
Norway	21 October 1977	4 May 1988	14 June 1998
Oman		14 June 1998 (a)	12 September 1998
Portugal	25 September 1975	7 April 1982	14 June 1998
Qatar	28 August 1987		
Senegal	18 August 1976		
Serbia (6)		18 July 2001 (s)	14 June 1998
Singapore		14 June 1998 (a)	12 September 1998
Slovenia (7)		7 August 1998 (s)	14 June 1998
Spain	30 September 1981	8 January 1985	14 June 1998
Sweden	12 December 1977	4 May 1988	14 June 1998
Switzerland	25 September 1975	9 December 1987 r	14 June 1998
The former Yugoslav		1 September 1994 (s)	14 June 1998
Republic of Macedonia (8)			
Togo	21 August 1985	5 May 1987	14 June 1998
Turkey		14 June 1998 (a)	12 September 1998
United Arab Emirates		20 March 2000 (a)	18 June 2000
United Kingdom (9)	25 September 1975	5 July 1984	14 June 1998
United States	25 September 1975	4 December 1998	4 March 1999
Uzbekistan		14 June 1998 (a)	12 September 1998
Venezuela	25 September 1975		

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### RESERVATIONS

#### **BRAZIL**

The instrument of ratification contains a reservation in accordance with Article XXI (1) a) thereof.

#### **CANADA**

At the time of ratification, pursuant to Article XXI (1) a) of Montreal Protocol No. 4, the Government of Canada made the following reservation: Canada declares that the Warsaw Convention as amended at The Hague, 1955 and by Protocol No. 4 of Montreal, 1975, shall not apply to the carriage of persons, baggage and cargo for Canada's military authorities on aircraft, registered in Canada, the whole capacity of which has been reserved by or on behalf of such authorities.

#### CHILE

The instrument of ratification contains a reservation in accordance with Article XXI (1) a) thereof.

## **SWITZERLAND**

The instrument of ratification by the Government of Switzerland contains a declaration that this Protocol is ratified with a reservation in accordance with Article XXI (1) b) thereof.

#### **NOTES**

(1) The instrument of ratification by the Government of Argentina contains the following declaration: "The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland having proceeded to ratification of the Additional Protocols to the Warsaw Convention of 1929, adopted in Montreal (Canada) in 1975, the Argentine Republic rejects the said ratification inasmuch as it is made in the name of the 'Malvinas Islands and of their Dependencies', and reaffirms its sovereign right over the Malvinas Islands, South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands which are an integral part of its national territory.

The General Assembly of the United Nations has adopted Resolutions 2065/XX/, 3160/XXVIII/, 31/49, 38/12 and 39/6 in which it recognizes the existence of a dispute relating to the question of the sovereignty of the Malvinas Islands and urges the Argentine Republic and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to resume as soon as possible their negotiations with a view to seeking by peaceful means a definitive solution to their dispute and to the other differences relating to the said question, through the good offices of the Secretary-General of the Organization who is to report on the progress achieved.

The Argentine Republic at the same time rejects the ratification referred to in the preceding paragraph inasmuch as it is made in the name of the 'British Antarctic Territory', and reaffirms that it does not accept any denomination which would attribute as belonging to another State, or which would admit thereof, the sector extending between longitude 25° West and longitude 74° West and between latitude 60° South and the South Pole over which the Argentine Republic exercises its sovereignty since this sector is an integral part of its territory".

- (2) By a Note dated 9 February 1995, the Government of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina declared that it considered itself bound, by virtue of succession, by the provisions of, *inter alia*, this Protocol.
- By a Note dated 8 July 1993, the Government of the Republic of Croatia declared that it considered itself bound, by virtue of succession, by the provisions of, *inter alia*, this Protocol (with effect from 8 October 1991).
- (4) The ratification concerns the Kingdom in Europe and the Netherlands Antilles.
- (5) New Zealand deposited its instrument of accession with a declaration that this accession shall extend to Tokelau.
- The former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia signed the Warsaw Convention on 12 October 1929 and ratified it on 27 May 1931; it signed The Hague Protocol on 3 December 1958 and ratified it on 16 April 1959; and it signed Additional Protocols Nos. 1, 2 and Montreal Protocol No. 4 on 25 September 1975 and ratified them on 11 March 1977. By a note dated 17 July 2001, deposited on 18 July 2001, the Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia declared itself bound, as a successor State to the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, by the above-mentioned treaties, with effect from 27 April 1992, the date of State succession. On 4 February 2003, the name of the State of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia was changed to Serbia and Montenegro. Following the Declaration of Independence adopted by the National Assembly of Montenegro on 3 June 2006, Serbia advised the depositary by a note dated 7 June 2006, deposited on 8 June 2006, that the Republic of Serbia continues to exercise the state and legal identity of the state union of Serbia and Montenegro
- (7) By a Note dated 27 July 1998, deposited on 7 August 1998, the Government of the Republic of Slovenia stated that it considered itself bound by virtue of succession, by the provisions of, *inter alia*, Montreal Protocol No. 4 (with effect from 14 June 1998).
- (8) By a Note dated 15 August 1994, the Government of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia declared that it considered itself bound, by virtue of succession, by the provisions of this Protocol.
- (9) Ratification by the United Kingdom was also done on behalf of: the Bailiwick of Jersey, the Bailiwick of Guernsey, the Isle of Man, Anguilla, Bermuda, British Antarctic Territory, British Indian Ocean Territory, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Falkland Islands, Falkland Islands Dependencies, Gibraltar, Hong Kong, Montserrat, Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oeno Islands, Saint Helena, Saint Helena Dependencies, Turks and Caicos Islands, United Kingdom Sovereigning Base and the areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia in the Island of Cyprus.

Furthermore, the following declaration was subsequently made:

- "In reference to the declaration made by the Argentine Republic when depositing the instruments of ratification of Protocols Nos. 1, 2 and 3 as well as Montreal Protocol No. 4, signed at Montreal on 25 September 1975, the position of the United Kingdom is well known and remains unchanged. The United Kingdom has no doubt of its sovereignty over the Falkland Islands, South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands and its incontestable right to apply the treaties thereto. As for the part of the declaration concerning the British Antarctic Territory, the Embassy recalls the contents of the Antarctic Treaty and particularly the provisions of Article IV of the said Treaty . . ."
- (10) By a note dated 25 March 2008, deposited on 1 April 2008, the Government of Montenegro advised the depositary that it considered itself bound, by virtue of succession, by the Warsaw Convention, The Hague Protocol, Additional Protocols Nos. 1 and 2 and Montreal Protocol No. 4, with effect from 3 June 2006. See also Note 6 in respect of Serbia.