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**Canada  
et  
États-Unis d'Amérique**

**Accord sur la sécurité de l'aviation entre le Gouvernement du Canada et le Gouvernement des États-Unis d'Amérique. Ottawa, 21 novembre 1986**

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[ ENGLISH TEXT – TEXTE ANGLAIS ]

AGREEMENT ON AVIATION SECURITY  
BETWEEN  
THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA  
AND  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The Government of Canada and the Government of the  
United States of America,

Agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The assurance of safety for civil aircraft, their passengers and crew being a fundamental pre-condition for the operation of international air services, the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Canada (the Contracting Parties) reaffirm that their obligations to each other to provide for the security of civil aviation against acts of unlawful interference (and in particular their obligations under the Convention on International Civil Aviation, opened for signature at Chicago on 7 December 1944, the Convention on Offenses and Certain Other Acts Committed on Board Aircraft, signed at Tokyo on 14 September 1963, the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Seizure of Aircraft, signed at The Hague on 16 December 1970, and the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation, signed at Montreal on 23 September 1971 and any other multilateral agreement governing aviation security binding upon the Contracting Parties) form an integral part of the bilateral agreements that authorize air transport services between the territories of the Contracting Parties.

ARTICLE 2

The Contracting Parties shall provide upon request all necessary assistance to each other to prevent acts of unlawful seizure of civil aircraft and other unlawful acts against the safety of such aircraft, their passengers and crew, airports, and air navigation facilities, and any other threat to the security of civil aviation.

ARTICLE 3

The Contracting Parties shall act in conformity with the aviation security standards and, so far as they are applied by them, the recommended practices established by the International Civil Aviation Organization, and designated as Annexes to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, and shall require that operators of aircraft of their registry, operators who have their principal place of business or permanent residence in their territory, and

the operators of international airports in their territory act in conformity with such aviation security provisions. Each Contracting Party shall give advance information to the other of its intention to notify ICAO of any differences to the ICAO standards.

#### ARTICLE 4

Each Contracting Party agrees that its operators of aircraft may be required to observe the aviation security provisions required by the other Contracting Party for entrance into, departure from, or while within, the territory of that other Contracting Party. Each Contracting Party shall ensure that effective measures are taken within its territory to protect aircraft, to inspect passengers and their carry-on items, and to carry out appropriate checks on crew, cargo (including baggage) and aircraft stores prior to and during boarding or loading. Each Contracting Party shall also act favorably upon any request from the other Contracting Party for reasonable special security measures to meet a particular threat.

#### ARTICLE 5

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

#### ARTICLE 6

When a Contracting Party has reasonable grounds to believe that the other Contracting Party has departed from the provisions of this Agreement, the first Contracting Party may request immediate consultations with the other Contracting Party. Failure by the Contracting Parties to reach a satisfactory resolution of the matter within 15 days from the date of receipt of such request shall constitute grounds for withholding, revoking, limiting or imposing conditions on the operating authorizations or technical permissions of an operator of aircraft of the other Contracting Party to operate air transport services authorized by the bilateral air transport agreements. When justified by an emergency, a Contracting Party may take interim action prior to the expiry of 15 days.

ARTICLE 7

Without prejudice to the provisions of Article 6, any dispute as to the application or interpretation of this Agreement shall be governed by the procedures enunciated in Article XV of the bilateral air transport Agreement of January 17, 1966, between the Government of Canada and the Government of the United States of America.

ARTICLE 8

Either of the Contracting Parties may at any time notify the other by diplomatic note of its intention to terminate this Agreement. Such notice shall be sent simultaneously to the International Civil Aviation Organization. The Agreement shall terminate one year after the date of receipt of the notice of intention to terminate, unless by agreement between the Contracting Parties such notice is withdrawn before the expiration of that time.

ARTICLE 9

This Agreement and all amendments thereto shall be registered with the International Civil Aviation Organization.

ARTICLE 10

This Agreement shall come into force on the day it is signed, and shall remain in effect unless terminated in accordance with Article 8.