

EUROPEAN ORGANISATION FOR THE SAFETY OF AIR NAVIGATION

EUROCONTROL

- Decisions of the enlarged Commission -

DECISION N° 42

relating to the amendment of the Principles for Establishing the Cost-base for Route Facility Charges and the Calculation of the Unit Rates

THE PERMANENT COMMISSION FOR THE SAFETY OF AIR NAVIGATION, ENLARGED TO INCLUDE THE REPRESENTATIVES OF NON-MEMBER STATES OF THE ORGANISATION PARTICIPATING IN THE ROUTE CHARGES SYSTEM,

Having regard to the EUROCONTROL International Convention relating to Co-operation for the Safety of Air Navigation amended at Brussels on 12 February 1981, and in particular Article 5.2 thereof;

Having regard to the Multilateral Agreement relating to Route Charges, dated 12 February 1981, and in particular Articles 3.2 (e) and 6.1 (a) thereof;

HEREBY TAKES THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Article 1

Paragraph 2.11 of the Principles for Establishing the Cost-base for Route Facility Charges and the Calculation of the Unit Rates shall read as follows:

Costs included in this category are those for search and rescue services provided to civil aviation by any permanent establishment of facilities and personnel maintained for the purposes of providing such services.

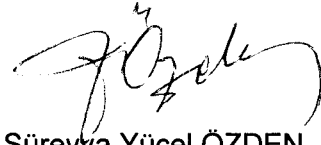
Search and rescue services facilities comprise rescue coordination centres (RCCs), rescue sub-centres (RSCs) if any, long, medium and short-range aircraft (including helicopters and ultra-long range or extra-long range aircraft), rescue boats and vessels, mountain rescue units and any other units, forces or facilities which are designated primarily or exclusively, or which are available to perform aeronautical search and rescue functions when required.

With regard to these services the following principles should apply:

- only the aeronautical facilities and services included in the ICAO Regional Air Navigation Plan should be accounted for;

- cost allocation attributable to civil aviation and non-civil aviation users (military, agriculture, land and maritime transport, tourism, etc.) should precede any cost recovery from civil aviation;
- the allocation of costs should be determined in such a way as to ensure that no users are burdened with costs not properly allocable to them;
- these operations must be performed with the precision and transparency required and users should be provided with relevant information, in particular with regard to the costs of the facilities and services provided.

Done at Brussels, on **9. 12. 97**



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