on the opening by the Agency of negotiations for the conclusion of a Cooperation Agreement between EUROCONTROL and the States participating in the “European-Middle East ATM Coordination “Mechanism” (EMAC)”

THE PERMANENT COMMISSION FOR THE SAFETY OF AIR NAVIGATION,

Having regard to the EUROCONTROL International Convention relating to Co-operation for the Safety of Air Navigation, amended by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 12 February 1981, and in particular articles 6.3 and 7.2 thereof;

Having regard to the relevant Decisions of ICAO and EUROCONTROL, to encourage regional ATM cooperation of the European region with adjacent regions;

Considering the need for cooperation between EUROCONTROL and the States participating in the “European-Middle East ATM Coordination Mechanism (EMAC)” for the successful implementation of certain Agency Programmes as well as the efficient interface of the ATM activities of the European and Middle East regions;

On the proposal of the Provisional Council,

TAKES THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

1. The Commission hereby authorises the Agency to open negotiations for the conclusion of a Cooperation Agreement between EUROCONTROL and the States participating in the EMAC mechanism.

2. The Agency shall submit, through the Provisional Council, for the Commission’s approval, the Agreement negotiated.

Done at Brussels, on 10.04.2003

J. TURCZYK
President of the Commission