MEASURE N°08/146

on the opening by the Agency of negotiations for the conclusion of an Agreement with the CEATS States regarding the termination of the CEATS Agreement of 27 June 1997

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, 7.2 and 11.3 thereof;

Having regard to Measure No. 85/44 of 6 June 1997 authorising the Agency to sign the Agreement relating to the provision and operation of air traffic services and facilities by EUROCONTROL at the Central European Air Traffic Services (CEATS) Upper Area Control Centre (hereafter referred to as the CEATS Agreement);

Having regard to the CEATS Agreement, signed on 27 June 1997 by Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Slovakia, Slovenia and EUROCONTROL which entered into force on 28 August 2004 following the ratification of the Agreement by five of the signatory States;

Having regard to the decisions taken by the CEATS Coordination Group (CCG) at its 20th Meeting on 28 March 2008 and to the joint Declaration of the Ministers of Transport of Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovak Republic and Slovenia of 12 June 2008 regarding the start of the process to terminate the CEATS Agreement.

On the proposal of the Director General and the Provisional Council,

TAKES THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

1. The Permanent Commission hereby authorises the Agency to open negotiations for the conclusion of an agreement with the CEATS States regarding the termination of the CEATS Agreement of 27 June 1997;

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

Done at Brussels on 13.11.2008

For the President of the Commission,

D. BREGLEC
Vice-President of the Commission