EUROPEAN ORGANISATION FOR THE SAFETY OF AIR NAVIGATION

EUROCONTROL

- Recommendations of the Permanent Commission -

RECOMMENDATION No. 01/3

urging Member States which have not yet done so, to ratify, accept or approve the revised EUROCONTROL Convention at their earliest convenience

THE PERMANENT COMMISSION FOR THE SAFETY OF AIR NAVIGATION,

Having regard to the Protocol consolidating the EUROCONTROL International Convention relating to Co-operation for the Safety of Air Navigation, which was opened for signature at the Diplomatic Conference held at Brussels on 27 June 1997;

Having regard to the Resolution urging Member States to ratify the Protocol at their earliest convenience, which was unanimously adopted by the aforesaid Diplomatic Conference of 27 June 1997;

Considering that at present, nine Member States have ratified, accepted or approved the Protocol consolidating the EUROCONTROL International Convention relating to Co-operation for the Safety of Air Navigation and that three Member States are on the point of completing procedures to that effect;

Considering that, notwithstanding the decisions on early implementation of certain provisions in the revised Convention taken by the Permanent Commission on 9 December 1997, the demands facing European Air Traffic Management and the need to urgently harmonise the over-crowded European airspace are making it pressing to secure early ratification of the aforesaid Protocol to ensure that EUROCONTROL has the institutional and decision-making structure provided for in the revised Convention for the accomplishment of its tasks;

Considering that the intended accession of the European Community to the Organisation, according to Article 40 of the revised Convention, also requires ratification, acceptance or approval by all Member States of the aforesaid Protocol;

Taking note of the declaration by the European Commission re-affirming the firm intention of the Community to accede to the revised EUROCONTROL Convention as soon as possible, and of its firm intention to create and implement the Single Sky in closest collaboration with EUROCONTROL;

ISSUES THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:

All Member States of EUROCONTROL which have yet to do so are recommended to take all measures to ensure that the procedures for their ratification, acceptance or approval of the revised Convention are started without delay.

Done at Brussels on 12.7.01

For the President of the Commission,

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Vice-President of the Commission