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### **1.1 Text of Article 9**

#### **Article 9**

##### Final Provisions

##### 9.1 Acceptance and Accession

- 9.1.1 This Agreement shall be open for acceptance by signature or otherwise by governments contracting parties to the GATT and by the European Economic Community.
- 9.1.2 This Agreement shall be open for acceptance by signature or otherwise by governments having provisionally acceded to the GATT, on terms related to the effective application of rights and obligations under this Agreement, which take into account rights and obligations in the instruments providing for their provisional accession.
- 9.1.3 This Agreement shall be open to accession by any other government on terms, related to the effective application of rights and obligations under this Agreement, to be agreed between that government and the Signatories, by the deposit with the Director-General to the CONTRACTING PARTIES to the GATT of an instrument of accession which states the terms so agreed.
- 9.1.4 In regard to acceptance, the provisions of Article XXVI:5 (a) and (b) of the General Agreement would be applicable.

##### 9.2 Reservations

- 9.2.1 Reservations may not be entered in respect of any of the provisions of this Agreement without the consent of the other Signatories.

##### 9.3 Entry into Force

- 9.3.1 This Agreement shall enter into force on 1 January 1980 for the governments<sup>1</sup> which have accepted or acceded to it by that date. For each other government it shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the date of its acceptance or accession to this Agreement.

*(footnote original)* 1 For the purpose of this Agreement, the term "government" is deemed to include the competent authorities of the European Economic Community.

##### 9.4 National Legislation

- 9.4.1 Each government accepting or acceding to this Agreement shall ensure, not later than the date of entry into force of this Agreement for it, the conformity of its laws, regulations and administrative procedures with the provisions of this Agreement.
- 9.4.2 Each Signatory shall inform the Committee of any changes in its laws and regulations relevant to this Agreement and in the administration of such laws and regulations.

9.5 Amendments

- 9.5.1 The Signatories may amend this Agreement, having regard, inter alia, to the experience gained in its implementation. Such an amendment, once the Signatories have concurred in accordance with the procedures established by the Committee, shall not come into force for any Signatory until it has been accepted by such Signatory.

9.6 Withdrawal

- 9.6.1 Any Signatory may withdraw from this Agreement. The withdrawal shall take effect upon the expiration of twelve months from the day on which written notice of withdrawal is received by the Director-General to the CONTRACTING PARTIES to the GATT. Any Signatory may upon such notification request an immediate meeting of the Committee.

9.7 Non-Application of this Agreement Between Particular Signatories

- 9.7.1 This Agreement shall not apply as between any two Signatories if either of the Signatories, at the time either accepts or accedes to this Agreement, does not consent to such application.

9.8 Annex

- 9.8.1 The Annex to this Agreement forms an integral part thereof.

9.9 Secretariat

- 9.9.1 This Agreement shall be serviced by the GATT secretariat.

9.10 Deposit

- 9.10.1 This Agreement shall be deposited with the Director-General to the CONTRACTING PARTIES to the GATT who shall promptly furnish to each Signatory and each contracting party to the GATT a certified copy thereof and of each amendment thereto pursuant to Article 9.5 and a notification of each acceptance thereof or accession thereto pursuant to Article 9.1, or each withdrawal therefrom pursuant to Article 9.6.

9.11 Registration

- 9.11.1 This Agreement shall be registered in accordance with the provisions of Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations.

Done at Geneva this twelfth day of April nineteen hundred and seventy-nine in a single copy, in the English and French languages, each text being authentic, except as otherwise specified with respect to the various lists in the Annex.<sup>1</sup>

## 1.2 Accession<sup>1</sup>

1. At its meeting of 11 November 2020, the Committee agreed to adopt a guidance note on the implementation of Article 9.1.3 of the Agreement.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See also paragraph 2 of the "General" file of the WTO Analytical Index covering the Agreement on Trade in Civil Aircraft. This paragraph discusses the preparation of an authentic Spanish-language text of the Agreement during the GATT.

<sup>2</sup> [TCA/17](#).