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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> FOR CO-OPERATION IN CIVIL AVIATION  
BETWEEN THE FRENCH REPUBLIC AND THE GABONESE REPUBLIC

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The Government of the French Republic and

The Government of the Gabonese Republic,

Considering that, by virtue of the transfer agreement of 15 July 1960,<sup>2</sup> which entered into force on 16 August 1960, the Gabonese Republic has acceded to independence and that the French Republic has recognized it is an independent and sovereign State,

Considering that the Gabonese Republic has stated its intention to co-operate with the French Republic within the Community, in which it will participate henceforward under the conditions laid down in the Franco-Gabonese agreements of today's date,<sup>3</sup>

Considering that the two Governments have already embarked upon a course of contractual co-operation in civil aeronautics, in particular through the establishment of the Agence pour la Sécurité de la Navigation Aérienne en Afrique et à Madagascar (ASECNA),

Have agreed as follows:

*Article 1*

In the interests of information and harmonization of their respective positions, the French and Gabonese civil aviation administrations shall consult each other before any international technical conference of common interest to the French Republic and Gabonese Republic.

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 14 February 1961, the date of the last of the notifications by which each Contracting Party notified the other of the completion of the required procedures, in accordance with article 7.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 820, No. I-11721.

<sup>3</sup> *Ibid.*, Nos. I-11725, I-11726 and I-11727, as well as pp. 3, 11, 17, 41, 55 and 63 of this volume.

*Article 2*

At the request of the Gabonese Republic, the French Republic will give assistance in the training of Gabonese technicians, who could, *inter alia*, be admitted to specialized technical schools in the French Republic.

*Article 3*

At the request of the Gabonese Republic, the French Republic will assist it in the determination and preparation of its aeronautical equipment programmes.

*Article 4*

The French Republic and the Gabonese Republic will consult each other, as far as is necessary, for the purpose of harmonizing their technical regulations in the field of civil aeronautics.

*Article 5*

Until such time as the Gabonese Republic is able to organize its own search and rescue service, operations of this kind shall be carried on under the conditions in force at the date of signature of this Agreement.

*Article 6*

The French Republic shall support the applications of the Gabonese Republic for membership in the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO).

*Article 7*

Each Contracting Party shall notify the other of the completion of the procedures required for the entry into force of this Agreement, which shall take effect on the date of the last notification.

DONE at Libreville, on 17 August 1960.

For the Government  
of the French Republic:

J. FOYER

For the Government  
of the Gabonese Republic:

[Signed]

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