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INTRODUCTION

1. As a result of deliberations of representatives of fifty-two nations attending the International Civil Aviation Conference at Chicago in December, 1944, there was formulated, in addition to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, an Interim Organization on Civil Aviation which provided for the establishment of a Provisional International Organization of a technical and advisory nature for the purpose of collaborating in matters pertaining to and concerning international civil aviation. This Organization designated as the "Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization" (PICAO), consists of an Interim Assembly and an Interim Council and is located at Montreal, Canada. It will remain in operation until the Convention on International Civil Aviation has been ratified by twenty-six States, when the Organization will become permanent, or other arrangements for taking over its functions have been agreed upon amongst the nations. The Interim Assembly, which is convened by the Interim Council, is composed of delegates of member States, and one of its duties is the election of not more than twenty-one member States to be represented on the Council. The first Council appointed is composed of representatives of the following twenty countries: Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, El Salvador, France, India, Iraq, Mexico, Netherlands, Norway, Peru, Turkey, United Kingdom, and United States. The twenty-first seat on the Council was left unfilled in the hope that the U.S.S.R. would acknowledge the Convention. The Interim Council is the executive instrument of the Assembly and derives its powers and authority from the Interim Assembly.