COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 991/2001

of 21 May 2001

amending the Annex to Council Directive 92/14/EEC on the limitation of the operation of aeroplanes covered by Part II, Chapter 2, Volume 1 of Annex 16 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, second edition (1988)

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 92/14/EEC of 2 March 1992 on the limitation of the operation of aeroplanes covered by Part II, Chapter 2, Volume 1 of Annex 16 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, second edition (1988) [1], as last amended by Commission Directive 1999/28/EC [2] and in particular Article 9a thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 3 of Directive 92/14/EEC exempts the aeroplanes listed in the Annex thereto, provided, in particular, that they continue to be used by natural or legal persons established in the country in which those aeroplanes were registered during a specific reference period.

(2) Article 9a of Directive 92/14/EEC, as amended by Council Directive 98/20/EC [3], provides for a simplified procedure for amendments to the Annex, with a view to ensuring full conformity with the eligibility criteria.

(3) Since the entry into force of Directive 1999/28/EC, which first amended the Annex to Directive 92/14/EEC on the basis of the simplified procedure, some aeroplanes included in the Annex have been destroyed, whilst others have been removed from the register of the relevant country; the corresponding entries for such aeroplanes should, therefore, be deleted from the Annex.

(4) Some qualifying aeroplanes will reach 25 years of age in the course of 2001; the appropriate entries should, therefore, be inserted in the Annex.

(5) It is also desirable to update the Annex in the light of any supervening changes to the registration code, or to the operator, of an aircraft already included.

(6) The limited nature and scope of the amendments to the Annex as well as the urgency justify a change in the type of legal instrument employed.

(7) It is necessary for this Regulation to enter into force as a matter of urgency, in order to make available to interested parties, without delay, the exemptions which it provides.

(8) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Aviation Safety Regulation Committee [4] established by Council Regulation (EEC) No 3922/91 of 16 December 1991 on the harmonisation of technical requirements and administrative procedures in the field of civil aviation [5], as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2871/2000 [6],

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Annex to Directive 92/14/EEC is hereby amended as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 21 May 2001.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 76, 23.3.1992, p. 21.
[2] OJ L 118, 6.5.1999, p. 53.
[3] OJ L 107, 7.4.1998, p. 4.
[4] Aviation Safety Regulation Committee, written consultation of 15 March 2001.
[5] OJ L 373, 31.12.1991, p. 4.
[6] OJ L 333, 29.12.2000, p. 47.

ANNEX

The Annex to Directive 92/14/EEC is amended as follows:

1. The following entries are deleted:

ALGERIA

Serial number	Type	Registration	Operator
20955	B727-2D6	7T-VEH	Air Algérie

EGYPT

Serial number	Type	Registration	Operator
21195	B737-266	SU-AYL	Egypt Air
21227	B737-266	SU-AYO	Egypt Air

TUNISIA

Serial number	Type	Registration	Operator
20545	B727-2H3	TS-JHN	Tunis Air
20948	B727-2H3	TS-JHQ	Tunis Air

2. The following entries are inserted:

ALGERIA

Serial number	Type	Registration	Operator
21212	B737-2D6	7T-VEO	Air Algérie
21286	B737-2D6	7T-VER	Air Algérie

SAUDI ARABIA

Serial number	Type	Registration	Operator
21275	B737-268	HZ-AGH	Saudia
21276	B737-268	HZ-AGI	Saudia
21277	B737-268	HZ-AGJ	Saudia
21280	B737-268	HZ-AGK	Saudia
212281	B737-268	HZ-AGL	Saudia
212283	B737-268	HZ-AGN	Saudia
21360	B737-268	HZ-AGO	Saudia

SYRIA

Serial number	Type	Registration	Operator
21203	B727-294	YK-AGA	Syrianair
21204	B727-294	YK-AGB	Syrianair
21205	B727-294	YK-AGC	Syrianair

YEMEN

Serial number	Type	Registration	Operator
21296	B737-2N8	70-ACU	Yemen Airways

3. The entry entitled 'Uganda' is replaced by the following:

UGANDA

Serial number	Type	Registration	Operator
19821	B707-379C	5X-GLA	Air Alexander