A RESOLUTION


WHEREAS, the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation ("the Convention") was adopted by Final Act of the International Conference on Air Law held under auspices of the International Civil Aviation Organization in Montreal on September 23, 1971; and

WHEREAS, the Protocol on the Suppression of Unlawful Acts of Violence at Airports Serving International Civil Aviation, supplementary to the Convention ("the Protocol"), was adopted by Final Act of the International Conference on Air Law held under auspices of the International Civil Aviation Organization in Montreal on February 24, 1988; and

WHEREAS, the worldwide escalation of acts of terrorism in all its forms and manifestations continues to impact all countries; and

WHEREAS, unlawful acts against the safety of civil aviation jeopardize the safety of persons and property, seriously affect the operation of air services, and undermine the confidence of the people of the world in the safety of civil aviation; and

WHEREAS, unlawful acts of violence which endanger or are likely to endanger the safety of persons at airports serving international civil aviation or which jeopardize the safe
operations of such airports undermine the confidence of the people of the world in safety at such airports and disturb the safety and orderly conduct of civil aviation; and

WHEREAS, the occurrence of such acts is a matter of grave concern to the international community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the Convention is of great importance for enhancing international cooperation among countries in devising and adopting effective and practical measures for the prevention of all unlawful acts against the safety of civil aviation, and the prosecution and punishment of their perpetrators; and

WHEREAS, the Protocol is of great importance for deterring such acts and providing appropriate measures of punishment of offenders; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 15 of the Convention, the Convention is open to accession by any State; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article V of the Protocol, the Protocol is open to accession by any State that accedes to the Convention in accordance with Article 15 thereof; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Twelfth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Special Session, 2002, that the Congress hereby accedes to the Convention and the Protocol;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs, the Secretary of the Department of Economic Affairs, the Governor
of each State, to the governments of the Russian Federation, the
United Kingdom and the United States of America, and to the
Secretary-General of the International Civil Aviation
Organization.

Date: 01/27/02

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