

## AIR SERVICE FACILITIES

*Agreement signed at Stockholm September 30, 1946*  
*Entered into force September 30, 1946*

61 Stat. 3893; Treaties and Other  
International Acts Series 1742

MINISTÈRE DES  
AFFAIRES ÉTRANGÈRES

### SERVICE AGREEMENT

The Swedish Government agrees:

1) to operate and maintain all facilities continuously in a manner adequate for the air traffic operating into and away from the airdrome at which the facilities are located and along the recognized international air routes converging on that airdrome and in order to insure this standard of service, the Swedish Government agrees to abide by approved Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization (PICAO)<sup>1</sup> standards of operation unless and until changed by other international agreement to which the United States and Sweden are parties;

2) to provide the full service of all facilities to all aircraft on a non-discriminatory basis with charges, if any, only for non-operational messages until an international agreement on charges has been promulgated by the PICAO;

3) to transmit weather reports according to PICAO standards to such stations as are required to insure an integrated meteorological network for the international air routes unless and until changed by international agreement to which the United States and Sweden are a party covering all meteorological requirements;

4) to continue the operation of all types of facilities in their original location until new facilities are installed in accordance with standards promulgated by the PICAO, or until it is determined by the Swedish Government and the United States Government that there is no longer a need for the original facilities, it being understood that the aeronautical communication service facilities will be devoted exclusively to that service and will not be diverted to the general communication service;

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<sup>1</sup> EAS 469, *ante*, vol. 3, p. 929.

5) to provide English-speaking operators at air to ground and control tower communication positions until regulations covering such voice transmissions are promulgated by the PICAQ;

6) to select radio frequencies for air to ground and control tower operations only in accordance with PICAQ standards and recommendations after coordination with the using United States carriers and with adjacent stations on the recognized international air routes converging on the airdrome in order to minimize (a) radio interference and (b) the number [of] frequencies to be operated by aircraft;

7) to authorize and facilitate day-to-day adjustments in air communication service matters by direct communication between the operating agency of Sweden and the service agency of the United States Government, United States air carriers, or a communication company representing one or more of them;

8) the agency prescribed by the Swedish Government will operate these communication facilities according to PICAQ regulations and recommendations and in a manner which will assure the safety and efficiency of United States airline operations. If it is deemed necessary, the agency designated by the Swedish Government will, furthermore, request the United States air carriers, or the Civil Aeronautics Administration to designate a technical adviser to advise and assist it in the operation of these facilities.

Done at Stockholm, in duplicate, in the English language, this 30th day of September, 1946.

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