FACILITATION PANEL (FALP)

FIFTH MEETING

Montréal, 31 March to 4 April 2008

Agenda Item 2: Comprehensive revision of Chapter 6

REVIEW OF CHAPTER 6: Paragraphs 6.35 to 6.50

(Presented by the Secretary)

SUMMARY

This paper sets out proposals for amendments to Chapter 6 of Annex 9, International Airports—Facilities and Services for Traffic. This working paper (FALP/5-WP/12) contains recommendations on existing paragraphs 6.35 to 6.50 (both inclusive) of the 12th Edition (2005) text of Annex 9.

Action by the FAL Panel:

The Panel is invited to consider and agree to the proposed amendments to the existing (12th Edition) text of paragraphs 6.35 to 6.50 (both inclusive) of Chapter 6, as indicated below.

Amend the provisions of Annex 9, Chapter 6 as follows:

CHAPTER 6. INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS — FACILITIES AND SERVICES FOR TRAFFIC

- VI. Miscellaneous facilities and services in passenger terminal buildings
- 6.35 **Recommended Practice.** Facilities provided for the use of transit passengers should contain all necessary arrangements for their convenience.
- 6.35.1 6.27 **Recommended Practice.** Each Contracting State should allow airport operators to provide Storage facilities should be provided for baggage left by their owners at international airports for later pick-up.
- 6.35.2 6.28 Each Contracting State shall ensure that airport operators provide International airports shall be equipped with functional secure storage facilities where unclaimed, unidentified and mishandled baggage will be kept available is kept securely for clearance until forwarded, claimed or disposed of in accordance with the governmental regulations and procedures applicable in the territory of the State concerned local laws. Authorized Airline personnel of the aircraft operator or service provider shall have access to the baggage at least throughout the during the hours of airport operation.

- 6.36 **Recommended Practice.** To the extent that the non-travelling public are admitted to terminal buildings, appropriate arrangements should be made so that they do not interfere with the flow of inbound and outbound traffic.
- 6.36 6.29 Each Contracting State in cooperation with airport operators shall ensure that terminal facilities are designed and organized so that the non-travelling public does not interfere with the flow of inbound and outbound passengers.
- 6.36.1 **Recommended Practice.** Provisions should be made to locate facilities for group/tour operators in public or uncontrolled areas in the arrival and/or departure areas in order to minimize congestion in the terminal buildings.
- 6.37 **Recommended Practice.** When duty free or other goods are offered for sale in terminal buildings, whether to outbound passengers only or to both outbound and inbound passengers, provisions should be made for convenient locations of the stores which would ensure easy access by a large number of passengers, efficient service and adequate customer space so as to avoid congestion and interference with the main streams of outbound and inbound passenger traffic.
- 6.37 6.30 Each Contracting State, in consultation with airport operators, shall ensure that retail facilities, while being conveniently located, do not impede passenger flows.
- 6.38 6.31 **Recommended Practice.**—Contracting States should make arrangements whereby all-cargo aircraft and their loads can be entered and cleared at the cargo terminal area.

Each Contracting State should ensure that airport operators make appropriate provision for separate cargo terminal(s) or area(s) for clearance of all-cargo aircraft.

6.39 Recommended Practice. Easy and speedy access should be provided to airport cargo terminals, taking into account the space requirements of extra-large trucks on access roads and in front of terminals for manoeuvring into position..

Each Contracting State, in cooperation with airport operators, should ensure that cargo terminals and their landside access roads are appropriately designed and operated to provide efficient access.

- 6.40 6.33 **Recommended Practice.** Each Contracting State, in cooperation with airport operators, should ensure that cargo terminals should be are provided with delivery/receiving positions adaptable to truck-bed heights.
- 6.41 6.34 **Recommended Practice.** Each Contracting State, in cooperation with airport operators, should ensure that Uuse should be is made, where justified, of mechanized and automated facilities for loading and unloading, conveyance and storage of cargo.
- 6.42 **Recommended Practice.** Adequate space should be available in cargo terminals for storage and handling of air cargo, including building up and breaking down of pallet and container loads, located next to the customs area and easily accessible to authorized persons and vehicles from both the apron and the landside road. Such arrangements should take into account aviation security and appropriate narcotics control measures.

- 6.42 6.35 Each Contracting State, in cooperation with airport operators, shall ensure that cargo terminals are designed to facilitate the safe, efficient and secure processing and storage of cargo. The terminals shall be located near customs' areas.
- 6.43 6.36 **Recommended Practice.** Each Contracting State, in cooperation with airport operators, should ensure that A adequate space and facilities should be are provided at international airports, or at convenient off airport locations, for the temporary storage of empty containers.
- 6.44 **Recommended Practice.** Cargo terminals should be equipped with storage facilities as appropriate for special cargo (e.g. valuable goods, perishable shipments, human remains, radioactive and other dangerous goods, as well as live animals). Those areas of cargo terminals in which general and special cargo and mail are stored prior to shipment by air should be protected against access by unauthorized persons at all times.
- 6.44 6.37 Each Contracting State, in cooperation with airport operators, shall ensure that cargo terminals have appropriate facilities for processing and storing valuable and perishable consignments, human remains, dangerous goods, mail and live animals.
- 6.45 **Recommended Practice.** Parking spaces should be available at cargo terminals for handling equipment when not in use, located so as to avoid interference with the flow of inbound and outbound cargo.
- 6.46 **Recommended Practice.** Where high capacity aircraft with mixed passenger and cargo loads are positioned next to the passenger terminal, all necessary facilities should be provided for swift loading/unloading and conveyance between the aircraft and the cargo terminal(s) of large volumes of air cargo. To this end, flow routes should be designed so as to avoid interference with those for passengers and baggage.
- 6.47 **Recommended Practice.** Facilities should be provided, where necessary, for the direct removal of bulky or heavy consignments by approved transport, from the airport to the premises of the importer, agent or freight forwarder, such removal being subject to customs approval and any conditions attached to that approval.
- 6.48 **Recommended Practice.** Sufficiently large and convenient areas should be provided at international airports, where, under customs supervision, trans-shipment cargo can be broken down, sorted and reassembled for immediate or later onward transmission. Such arrangements should take into account aviation security and appropriate narcotics control measures.
- 6.49 Recommended Practice. At airports whose cargo handling capacity is insufficient and whose expansion is limited or unfeasible, off airport bonded warehouses should be allowed, and the procedures for moving cargo between them and the airport should be minimal in order to accelerate clearance and reduce congestion in airport warehouses.
- 6.50 **Recommended Practice.** Where the volume of airmail so warrants and where it will expedite the onward transmission of the mail, in the opinion of the postal authorities, adequate space and facilities should be provided at international airports for the reworking, sorting and onward transmission of airmail. Such arrangements should take into account aviation security and appropriate narcotics control measures.

6.50 6.38 Each Contracting State, in cooperation with airport operators, shall provide for appropriate facilities for the safe, efficient and secure processing and storage of mail consignments, at those international airports where the volume of mail so warrants.

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