

WITH RESPECT TO AVIATION SAFETY AND SECURITY:

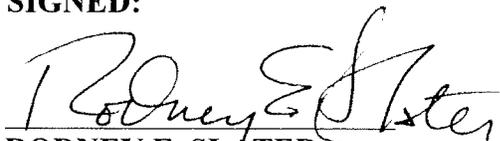
THE MINISTERS AGREED THAT SAFE AIR TRAVEL AND SECURE AIRPORT FACILITIES ARE PREREQUISITES FOR AFRICA'S INTEGRATION INTO THE GLOBAL ECONOMY. "SAFE SKIES" ARE NECESSARY FOR INCREASING TRADE, ATTRACTING INVESTMENT, ENCOURAGING TOURISM AND WEAVING TOGETHER AN INTEGRATED REGIONAL SOCIETY.

RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF SAFE AND SECURE AIRPORTS TO AFRICA'S DEVELOPMENT, THE MINISTERS EXPRESSED THEIR INTENTION TO HELP MARSHAL THE POLITICAL WILL AND LONG-TERM RESOURCE COMMITMENT NECESSARY TO MEET "SAFE SKIES" GOALS.

THE UNITED STATES PLEDGES TO ASSIST AFRICAN STATES IN ACHIEVING THE STATED OBJECTIVES OF THE "SAFE SKIES" INITIATIVE. THE UNITED STATES WILL HELP TO IDENTIFY INTERNAL SOURCES OF REVENUE WHICH WILL MAKE INDIVIDUAL PROGRAMS SELF-FUNDING, E.G., AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL FEES, LANDING FEES, AIRPORT SERVICE FEES, ETC., TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE LEVEL OF CHARGES AGREED UPON WITH THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION PARTNERS, I.E. INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION (IATA); AGENCY FOR THE SECURITY OF AIR NAVIGATION IN AFRICA AND MADAGASCAR (ASECNA); AIR TRAFFIC AND NAVIGATION SERVICES (ATNS); ROBERT'S FLIGHT INFORMATION REGION (ROBERT'S FIR). IN ADDITION, THE UNITED STATES INTENDS TO PROVIDE SHORT-TERM TECHNICAL ADVICE AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT, IN COOPERATION WITH REGIONAL INSTITUTIONS, INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATIONS.

DONE AT DAKAR, SENEGAL ON TUESDAY 14TH JULY, 1998.

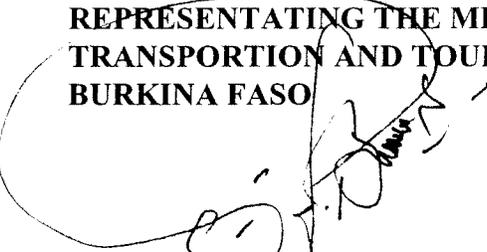
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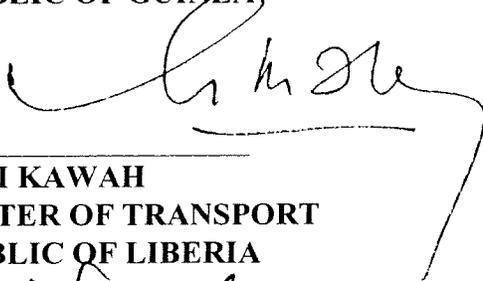
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