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(Non-legislative acts)

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

COUNCIL DECISION

of 13 December 2010

on the signing, on behalf of the Union, and provisional application of the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Cape Verde on certain aspects of air services

(2011/228/EU)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

(the Agreement) is hereby approved on behalf of the Union, subject to the conclusion of the said Agreement.

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 100(2), in conjunction with Article 218(5) thereof,

The text of the Agreement is attached to this Decision.

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the person(s) empowered to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Union subject to its conclusion.

Whereas:

Article 3

- (1) In its Decision of 5 June 2003, the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations with third countries on the replacement of certain provisions in existing bilateral agreements with an agreement at Union level.

Pending its entry into force, the Agreement shall be applied provisionally from the first day of the first month following the date on which the parties have notified each other of the completion of the necessary procedures for this purpose ⁽¹⁾.

- (2) On behalf of the Union, the Commission negotiated an Agreement with the Republic of Cape Verde on certain aspects of air services (the Agreement) in accordance with the mechanisms and directives in the Annex to the Council Decision of 5 June 2003.

Article 4

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to make the notification provided for in Article 8(2) of the Agreement.

- (3) The Agreement should be signed and provisionally applied subject to its conclusion,

Article 5

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Done at Brussels, 13 December 2010.

Article 1

The signing of the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Cape Verde on certain aspects of air services

*For the Council**The President*

K. PEETERS

⁽¹⁾ The date from which the Agreement will be provisionally applied will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* by the General Secretariat of the Council.