EXPLANATORY STATEMENT STATUTORY RULES 1988 NO. 277 ISSUED BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE MINISTER FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND AVIATION SUPPORT AIR NAVIGATION (AIRCRAFT NOISE) REGULATIONS

Paragraph 26 (1) (b) of the <u>Air Navigation Act 1920</u> (the Act) provides that the Governor General may make regulations not inconsistent with the Act, for the purpose of giving effect to the Chicago Convention, as amended by the Protocols referred to in subsection 3A (2), any Annex to the Convention relating to international standards and recommended practices (being an Annex adopted in accordance with the Convention) and the Air Transit Agreement.

Regulation 2 the Air Navigation (Aircraft Noise) Regulations (the Regulations) defined "aircraft" to include an aircraft to which the standards specified in Chapter 3, 5, 6 or 8 of Part II of Volume 1 of the Annex are applicable.

Regulation 2 also defined "the Annex" to mean Annex 16 to the

Chicago Convention, as amended and in force on 21 November 1985.

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The International Civil Aviation Organization has recently made changes to Annex 16 to the Chicago Convention with effect from 17 November 1988, to improve aircraft noise certification procedures and to introduce a new Chapter 10 into the Annex for the noise certification of propeller-driven aircraft to a maximum take-off weight of up to 9000kg.

The amendments to regulation 2 change the reference to "Chapter 3, 5, 6 or 8" in paragraph (c) of the definition of "aircraft" to read "Chapter 3, 5, 6, 8 or 10", and omit "21 November 1985" from the definition of "the Annex" and substitute "17 November 1988".

The Statutory Rules are effective from date of Gazettal.

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