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I N T R O D U C T I O N

At the Third Session (1947) of the Aerodromes, Air Routes and Ground Aids Division of ICAO, a special working party of experts was appointed to prepare a paper on the subject of "Crash Fire and Rescue Equipment at Aerodromes". The Division considered this paper and expressed its appreciation of the speed and effectiveness of the work performed by the United Kingdom, United States and Canadian experts who made up the group.

The Division decided, however, that the stage had not yet been reached when International Standards or Recommended Practices on this subject could be recommended for adoption by the Council. It proposed instead that the paper referred to above, together with a bibliography of relevant technical papers procurable from various States, be issued as an ICAO Circular. The President of the ICAO Council, acting under special authority delegated to him by the Council, approved this recommendation.

In addition, the President approved the following recommendations which the Division made with a view to facilitating the development of International Standards and Recommended Practices on this subject at its 1949 session:

1. That the subject be further studied by Contracting States and by the Secretariat and that States be requested to supply ICAO with information on the subject for further study, as it becomes available and without being specifically requested so to do;
2. That the material submitted by Contracting States should include information relevant to the initiation and the progress of research or developmental work on the subject;
3. That the Secretariat be given the task of collecting, studying, and disseminating information and data relevant to the subject.

Action on the part of States working in collaboration with the Secretariat should greatly simplify the problem of developing / suitable Standards and Recommended Practices at the next session of the Division. All information and data received will be studied with a view to issuing further circulars on the subject.