



Trade Policy Review Body

**OVERVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS  
IN THE INTERNATIONAL TRADING ENVIRONMENT**

ANNUAL REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL<sup>1</sup>

*(Mid-October 2018 to mid-October 2019)*

*Corrigendum*

Table 4.1 on page 104-106 should read as follows:

**Table 4.1 Air Services Agreements<sup>107</sup> concluded or amended during the reporting period (October 2018-October 2019)**

Parties		Date of signature	Source
Macao, China	Qatar	10.10.2018	<a href="http://www.macaubusiness.com/macau-qatar-inks-bilateral-open-skies-agreement-with-macau">http://www.macaubusiness.com/macau-qatar-inks-bilateral-open-skies-agreement-with-macau</a>
Singapore	Peru	16.10.2018	<a href="https://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/singapore/singapore-peru-open-skies-agreement-10834954">https://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/singapore/singapore-peru-open-skies-agreement-10834954</a>
Jamaica	Slovenia	17.10.2018	<a href="http://www.jamaicaobserver.com/latestnews/Jamaica_to_sign_new_air-service_agreements?profile=1228">http://www.jamaicaobserver.com/latestnews/Jamaica_to_sign_new_air-service_agreements?profile=1228</a>
Jamaica	Morocco	17.10.2018	<a href="http://www.jamaicaobserver.com/latestnews/Jamaica_to_sign_new_air-service_agreements?profile=1228">http://www.jamaicaobserver.com/latestnews/Jamaica_to_sign_new_air-service_agreements?profile=1228</a>
Jamaica	Bahamas	17.10.2018	<a href="http://www.jamaicaobserver.com/latestnews/Jamaica_to_sign_new_air-service_agreements?profile=1228">http://www.jamaicaobserver.com/latestnews/Jamaica_to_sign_new_air-service_agreements?profile=1228</a>
Jamaica	South Africa	17.10.2018	<a href="http://www.jamaicaobserver.com/latestnews/Jamaica_to_sign_new_air-service_agreements?profile=1228">http://www.jamaicaobserver.com/latestnews/Jamaica_to_sign_new_air-service_agreements?profile=1228</a>
Korea, Republic of	Italy	18.10.2018	<a href="http://www.arirang.co.kr/News/News_View.asp?nseq=225078">http://www.arirang.co.kr/News/News_View.asp?nseq=225078</a>
Bosnia	United Arab Emirates	07.11.2018	<a href="https://www.exyuaviation.com/2018/11/bosnia-and-uae-ink-air-agreement.html">https://www.exyuaviation.com/2018/11/bosnia-and-uae-ink-air-agreement.html</a>
Philippines	Switzerland	20.11.2018	<a href="https://www.bworldonline.com/phl-signs-new-air-deal-with-switzerland">https://www.bworldonline.com/phl-signs-new-air-deal-with-switzerland</a>
Kyrgyz Republic	Qatar	21.11.2018	<a href="https://www.azernews.az/region/141495.html">https://www.azernews.az/region/141495.html</a>
Kuwait, the State of	Cyprus	25.11.2018	<a href="https://www.kuna.net.kw/ArticleDetails.aspx?id=2761136&amp;language=en">https://www.kuna.net.kw/ArticleDetails.aspx?id=2761136&amp;language=en</a>
Guyana	Ghana	28.11.2018	<a href="http://www.financial-news.co.uk/51645/2018/11/guyana-signs-air-service-agreement-with-ghana-201811280/">http://www.financial-news.co.uk/51645/2018/11/guyana-signs-air-service-agreement-with-ghana-201811280/</a>
Macao, China	China	27.11.2018	<a href="https://macaudailytimes.com.mo/mainland-macau-ink-new-agreement-on-air-transport.html">https://macaudailytimes.com.mo/mainland-macau-ink-new-agreement-on-air-transport.html</a>
Australia	Fiji	10.2018	<a href="https://www.radionz.co.nz/international/pacific-news/377024/qantas-to-increase-fiji-flights">https://www.radionz.co.nz/international/pacific-news/377024/qantas-to-increase-fiji-flights</a>

<sup>1</sup> This Report covers the period mid-October 2018 to mid-October 2019. It is presented pursuant to Paragraph G of the Trade Policy Review Mechanism mandate and aims to assist the Trade Policy Review Body to undertake its annual overview of developments in the international trading environment that are having an impact on the multilateral trading system. The Report is issued under the sole responsibility of the Director-General. It has no legal effect on the rights and obligations of Members, nor does it have any legal implications with respect to the conformity of any measure noted in the Report with any WTO Agreements or any provisions thereof.

<sup>107</sup> The term "air services agreements" is used here to refer to Air Services Agreements, Memoranda of Understanding, Exchange of Notes, and other such relevant instruments.

Parties		Date of signature	Source
United Kingdom	United States	28.11.2018	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-and-us-agree-new-open-skies-arrangements">https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-and-us-agree-new-open-skies-arrangements</a>
Nepal	Cambodia	29.11.2018	<a href="https://thehimalayantimes.com/business/nepal-cambodia-ink-initial-pact-on-bilateral-air-services">https://thehimalayantimes.com/business/nepal-cambodia-ink-initial-pact-on-bilateral-air-services</a>
United Kingdom	Canada	2.12.2018	<a href="https://www.atn.aero/#/article.html?id=70624">https://www.atn.aero/#/article.html?id=70624</a>
Congo	United States	10.12.2018	<a href="https://www.theeastafrikan.co.ke/business/Congo-US-sign-air-transport-agreement/2560-4888688-14tdiipz/index.html">https://www.theeastafrikan.co.ke/business/Congo-US-sign-air-transport-agreement/2560-4888688-14tdiipz/index.html</a>
Ghana	Seychelles	11.12.2018	<a href="http://www.ghananewsagency.org/economics/ghana-and-seychelles-sign-bilateral-air-services-agreement-143061">http://www.ghananewsagency.org/economics/ghana-and-seychelles-sign-bilateral-air-services-agreement-143061</a>
Ghana	Jamaica	13.12.2018	<a href="https://www.ghanaweb.com/GhanaHomePage/business/Government-eyes-aviation-gateway-as-Ghana-signs-deals-with-Canada-et-al-708488">https://www.ghanaweb.com/GhanaHomePage/business/Government-eyes-aviation-gateway-as-Ghana-signs-deals-with-Canada-et-al-708488</a>
Ghana	Namibia	13.12.2018	<a href="https://www.ghanaweb.com/GhanaHomePage/business/Government-eyes-aviation-gateway-as-Ghana-signs-deals-with-Canada-et-al-708488">https://www.ghanaweb.com/GhanaHomePage/business/Government-eyes-aviation-gateway-as-Ghana-signs-deals-with-Canada-et-al-708488</a>
Ghana	Guyana	13.12.2018	<a href="https://www.ghanaweb.com/GhanaHomePage/business/Government-eyes-aviation-gateway-as-Ghana-signs-deals-with-Canada-et-al-708488">https://www.ghanaweb.com/GhanaHomePage/business/Government-eyes-aviation-gateway-as-Ghana-signs-deals-with-Canada-et-al-708488</a>
Kenya	Cambodia	15.12.2018	<a href="https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements/">https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements/</a>
Kenya	Bahamas	15.12.2018	<a href="https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements">https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements</a>
Kenya	Jamaica	15.12.2018	<a href="https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements">https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements</a>
Kenya	Turkey	15.12.2018	<a href="https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements">https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements</a>
Kenya	Seychelles	15.12.2018	<a href="https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements">https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements</a>
Kenya	Greece	15.12.2018	<a href="https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements">https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements</a>
Kenya	Finland	15.12.2018	<a href="https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements">https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements</a>
Kenya	Burkina Faso	15.12.2018	<a href="https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements">https://www.journalducameroun.com/en/kenya-concludes-highest-number-of-air-service-agreements</a>
Seychelles	Bahamas	14.12.2018	<a href="http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries">http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries</a>
Seychelles	Greece	14.12.2018	<a href="http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries">http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries</a>
Seychelles	Jamaica	14.12.2018	<a href="http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries">http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries</a>
Seychelles	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of	14.12.2018	<a href="http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries">http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries</a>
Seychelles	Switzerland	14.12.2018	<a href="http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries">http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries</a>
Seychelles	Turkey	14.12.2018	<a href="http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries">http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries</a>
Seychelles	Rwanda	14.12.2018	<a href="http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries">http://www.seychellesnewsagency.com/articles/10202/Eyeing+new+tourism+and+trade%2C+Seychelles+signs+air+agreements+with++countries</a>
United Kingdom	Switzerland	17.12.2018	<a href="https://www.reuters.com/article/us-britain-eu-air/uk-signs-air-service-deal-with-switzerland-for-post-brex-it-flights-idUSKBN1OG00E">https://www.reuters.com/article/us-britain-eu-air/uk-signs-air-service-deal-with-switzerland-for-post-brex-it-flights-idUSKBN1OG00E</a>
Rwanda	Israel	07.01.2019	<a href="https://ktpress.rw/2019/01/rwanda-signs-air-service-agreement-with-israel/">https://ktpress.rw/2019/01/rwanda-signs-air-service-agreement-with-israel/</a>
Nigeria	India	16.01.2019	<a href="https://www.dailytrust.com.ng/fg-signs-air-agreement-with-india.html">https://www.dailytrust.com.ng/fg-signs-air-agreement-with-india.html</a>
Cambodia	Finland	30.01.2019	<a href="https://www.khmertimeskh.com/50574394/air-deal-inked-with-finland/">https://www.khmertimeskh.com/50574394/air-deal-inked-with-finland/</a>
Kazakhstan	United States	05.02.2019	<a href="https://www.aviationpros.com/airlines/news/21056146/kazakhstan-announces-time-of-signing-open-sky-agreement-with-us">https://www.aviationpros.com/airlines/news/21056146/kazakhstan-announces-time-of-signing-open-sky-agreement-with-us</a>

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Qatar	European Union	06.02.2019	<a href="https://www.logupdateafrica.com/eu-qatar-ink-new-air-service-agreements-to-strengthen-ties-aviation">https://www.logupdateafrica.com/eu-qatar-ink-new-air-service-agreements-to-strengthen-ties-aviation</a>
Zimbabwe	Sri Lanka	23.02.2019	<a href="https://colombogazette.com/2019/02/23/zimbabwe-welcomes-launch-of-air-services-with-sri-lanka">https://colombogazette.com/2019/02/23/zimbabwe-welcomes-launch-of-air-services-with-sri-lanka</a>
Zimbabwe	Oman	23.02.2019	<a href="https://colombogazette.com/2019/02/23/zimbabwe-welcomes-launch-of-air-services-with-sri-lanka/">https://colombogazette.com/2019/02/23/zimbabwe-welcomes-launch-of-air-services-with-sri-lanka/</a>
Peru	Cuba	08.03.2019	<a href="https://mundo.sputniknews.com/americas-latina/201903081085948043-peru-cuba-llegan-acuerdo-para-aumentar-frecuencia-vuelos-comerciales">https://mundo.sputniknews.com/americas-latina/201903081085948043-peru-cuba-llegan-acuerdo-para-aumentar-frecuencia-vuelos-comerciales</a>
Dominica	CARICOM-MASA	28.02.2019	<a href="https://wicnews.com/caribbean/several-member-states-caricom-sign-multilateral-air-services-agreement-220917044">https://wicnews.com/caribbean/several-member-states-caricom-sign-multilateral-air-services-agreement-220917044</a>
Grenada	CARICOM-MASA	28.02.2019	<a href="https://wicnews.com/caribbean/several-member-states-caricom-sign-multilateral-air-services-agreement-220917044">https://wicnews.com/caribbean/several-member-states-caricom-sign-multilateral-air-services-agreement-220917044</a>
Jamaica	CARICOM-MASA	28.02.2019	<a href="https://wicnews.com/caribbean/several-member-states-caricom-sign-multilateral-air-services-agreement-220917044">https://wicnews.com/caribbean/several-member-states-caricom-sign-multilateral-air-services-agreement-220917044</a>
Trinidad and Tobago	CARICOM-MASA	28.02.2019	<a href="https://wicnews.com/caribbean/several-member-states-caricom-sign-multilateral-air-services-agreement-220917044">https://wicnews.com/caribbean/several-member-states-caricom-sign-multilateral-air-services-agreement-220917044</a>
Morocco	Rwanda	19.03.2019	<a href="https://www.politicalanalysis.co.za/morocco-and-rwanda-sign-new-partnership-agreement-in-12-different-sectors">https://www.politicalanalysis.co.za/morocco-and-rwanda-sign-new-partnership-agreement-in-12-different-sectors</a>
Ghana	Malta	26.03.2019	<a href="https://www.ghanaweb.com/GhanaHomePage/NewsArchive/Ghana-signs-Air-Services-Visa-waiver-agreements-with-Malta-733255">https://www.ghanaweb.com/GhanaHomePage/NewsArchive/Ghana-signs-Air-Services-Visa-waiver-agreements-with-Malta-733255</a>
Nigeria	Cabo Verde	02.04.2019	<a href="https://punchng.com/nigeria-cape-verde-finalise-air-transport-agreement">https://punchng.com/nigeria-cape-verde-finalise-air-transport-agreement</a>
Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of	Georgia	02.04.2019	<a href="https://aaco.org/media-center/news/aeropolitical/saudi-arabia-and-georgia-sign-air-service-agreement">https://aaco.org/media-center/news/aeropolitical/saudi-arabia-and-georgia-sign-air-service-agreement</a>
China	EU	20.05.2019	<a href="http://www.ecns.cn/news/2019-05-22/detail-ifzikase6326510.shtml">http://www.ecns.cn/news/2019-05-22/detail-ifzikase6326510.shtml</a>
Zimbabwe	Mozambique	20.06.2019	<a href="https://www.herald.co.zw/zim-moza-sign-air-service-agreement/">https://www.herald.co.zw/zim-moza-sign-air-service-agreement/</a>
Argentina	United States	26.06.2019	<a href="https://www.investing.com/news/economy-news/us-argentina-sign-modernized-air-services-agreement-1908521">https://www.investing.com/news/economy-news/us-argentina-sign-modernized-air-services-agreement-1908521</a>
Brazil	Portugal	28.06.2109	<a href="https://centreforaviation.com/analysis/reports/brazil-portugal-aviation-more-growthwill-flow-from-new-mou-481937">https://centreforaviation.com/analysis/reports/brazil-portugal-aviation-more-growthwill-flow-from-new-mou-481937</a>
Canada	Bahamas	16.07.2019	<a href="http://www.tribune242.com/news/2019/jul/16/bahamas-seeking-tourism-boost-via-canada-air-deal/">http://www.tribune242.com/news/2019/jul/16/bahamas-seeking-tourism-boost-via-canada-air-deal/</a>
Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of	Senegal	23.07.2019	<a href="http://www.tradearabia.com/news/TTN_356885.html">http://www.tradearabia.com/news/TTN_356885.html</a>
Nepal	China	25.07.2019	<a href="https://thehimalayantimes.com/business/nepal-china-revise-air-services-pact/">https://thehimalayantimes.com/business/nepal-china-revise-air-services-pact/</a>
Philippines	Rwanda	25.07.2019	<a href="https://business.inquirer.net/275525/ph-rwanda-ink-air-service-agreement">https://business.inquirer.net/275525/ph-rwanda-ink-air-service-agreement</a>
Ghana	Belgium	12.08.2019	<a href="https://www.modernghana.com/news/950150/ghana-belgium-seal-bilateral-air-services-agreement-basa.html">https://www.modernghana.com/news/950150/ghana-belgium-seal-bilateral-air-services-agreement-basa.html</a>
Rwanda	Brazil	14.08.2019	<a href="https://regionweek.com/brazil-is-our-plan-for-future-expansion-says-rwandair-ceo/">https://regionweek.com/brazil-is-our-plan-for-future-expansion-says-rwandair-ceo/</a>
Namibia	Rwanda	19.08.2013	<a href="https://ktpress.rw/2019/08/kagame-in-namibia-for-a-three-day-state-visit/">https://ktpress.rw/2019/08/kagame-in-namibia-for-a-three-day-state-visit/</a>
United States	Japan	21.08.2019	<a href="https://www.atn.aero/#/article.html?id=73298">https://www.atn.aero/#/article.html?id=73298</a>
Morocco	Philippines	12.09.2019	<a href="http://northafricapost.com/33885-philippines-morocco-to-establish-direct-flights.html">http://northafricapost.com/33885-philippines-morocco-to-establish-direct-flights.html</a>
Canada	French Polynesia	16.09.2019	<a href="https://www.rnz.co.nz/international/pacific-news/398874/air-service-agreement-between-french-polynesia-and-canada">https://www.rnz.co.nz/international/pacific-news/398874/air-service-agreement-between-french-polynesia-and-canada</a>
Bahrain, Kingdom of	Spain	27.09.2019	<a href="https://aaco.org/media-center/news/aeropolitical/bahrain-and-spain-sign-agreement-to-liberalize-air-traffic">https://aaco.org/media-center/news/aeropolitical/bahrain-and-spain-sign-agreement-to-liberalize-air-traffic</a>
Nepal	United Arab Emirates	28.09.2019	<a href="https://myrepublica.nagariknetwork.com/news/nepal-uae-sign-revised-air-service-agreement-in-canada/">https://myrepublica.nagariknetwork.com/news/nepal-uae-sign-revised-air-service-agreement-in-canada/</a>

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