Dear Chairs,

AICG CONSULTATION DRAFT 63 (‘CD63’) PUBLICATION OF AVN57B (AUSTRALIA)

In Consultation Draft 63, we notified that AICG had received a request from a market participant to consider the legislative references found within AVN57A (Australia). Specifically, it was suggested that the reference to ‘Civil Aviation (Carriers’ Liability) Act 1959’ be considered in light of the Aviation Legislation Amendment (Liability and Insurance) Act 2020, which came into effect on Thursday 17th June 2020.

The AICG agreed that this administrative update to the clause to account for the 2020 Act would be necessary. It sought expert advice and concluded that it would be appropriate to refer to both the Civil Aviation (Carriers’ Liability) Act 1959 and the Aviation Legislation Amendment (Liability and Insurance) Act 2020, jointly termed within the clause as ‘The Acts’.

This draft updated clause was subject to market consultation and responses received were supportive of the proposed amendment. Therefore, with the exception of a small amendment to the clause title to reflect ‘baggage’, the AICG Chair has now agreed that AVN57B (Australia) be published forthwith. This is included directly below this letter for information and the clause will also be attached separately to the e-mail publishing this letter. It will also shortly be uploaded to the AICG website.

We would like to reiterate our thanks to those that have responded to the consultation.

Yours sincerely,

Christopher Jones on behalf of Graham Spencer-Brown
(Secretary, AICG)

c.c. Josh Hutson Flynn (LMA)
Geraldine Wright (LIIBA)
Tom Hughes (IUA)
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4. Unless the Policy otherwise provides the following exclusions not prohibited by the provisions of the Acts shall apply:-

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   4.2 Noise and Pollution and Other Perils Exclusion Clause AVN 46B or equivalent clause(s).

   4.3 Nuclear Risks Exclusion Clause AVN 38B or equivalent clause(s).

   4.4 Bodily Injury to or sickness, disease or death of any employee arising out of and in the course of his/her employment.

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