3. Minor changes and minor repairs approved by the technical agent of the European Union as certificating authority or by an approved organisation under European Union law shall be automatically accepted by the technical agent of Japan as validating authority.

4. Minor changes and minor repairs approved by the technical agent of Japan as certificating authority or by an approved organisation under laws and regulations of Japan shall be automatically accepted by the technical agent of the European Union as validating authority.

ARTICLE 14

Implementation provision for Articles 10 and 13

1. The minor change or major change classifications shall be made by the certificating authority in accordance with the definitions set out in this Annex and interpreted in accordance with the applicable rules and procedures of the certificating authority.

2. For classifying a supplemental type certificate or major change as significant or non-significant, the certificating authority shall consider the change in the context of all previous relevant design changes and all related revisions to the applicable certification specifications incorporated in the type certificate for the civil aeronautical product. Changes that meet either of the following criteria are automatically considered as significant:

(a) the general configuration or the principles of construction are not retained; or

(b) the assumptions used for certification of the civil aeronautical product to be changed do not remain valid.

ARTICLE 15

Transfer of a design certificate

In the event that a design certificate holder transfers its design certificate to another entity, the certificating authority responsible for the design certificate shall promptly notify the validating authority of the transfer and apply the procedure related to the transfer of design certificates as detailed in the technical implementation procedures.

ARTICLE 16

Design-related operational requirements

1. The technical agents shall ensure that, where necessary, data and information related to design-related operational requirements shall be exchanged during the validation process.

2. Subject to decision between the technical agents for some design-related operational requirements, the validating authority may accept the compliance statement of the certificating authority through the validation process.