	AVIATION
9	Canada
	Canadian Transportation Agency decides on validity of medical clearance
	The Canadian Transportation Agency recently decided a complaint involving the validity of a medical clearance that was given without full information. The case involved an Air Canada passenger who was noted to have suffered an epileptic seizure on a previous flight, and who was asked to obtain a medical clearance before she could travel.
	Author: Carlos P Martins
	(Read article http://www.internationallawoffice.com/?i=55592&l=7HKD4LN)
10	Germany
	Will the Air Traffic Tax Act be abolished in 2013?
	The federal state of Bavaria recently brought forward a motion aiming to abolish the Air Traffic Tax Act by Autumn 2013. The motion was approved by the Federal Council; as a result, the government has been requested to initiate a legislative procedure regarding the abolishment of the act.
	Author: Katja Helen Brecke
	(Read article http://www.internationallawoffice.com/?i=55592&l=7HKD4MC)
11	Italy
	New insolvency procedure offers hope to airlines in crisis
	The first application by an Italian airline has been filed for the <i>concordato preventivo in continuità</i> procedure, a new form of arrangement with creditors which has similarities to US Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings. The new procedure could be an effective way to assist airlines in restructuring their business and regaining competitiveness in the market.
	Author: Laura Pierallini
	(Read article http://www.internationallawoffice.com/?i=55592&l=7HKD4N8)
	SHIPPING & TRANSPORT
12	Belgium
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## Arbitration clauses in ship agency contracts: the ongoing story

In cases where extensive mandatory implementation of an EU directive in one EU member state conflicts with the (lesser) implementation in another member state, does the Rome Treaty prevail over the law chosen by the parties? This was the question posed to the European Court of Justice in an ongoing case relating to an arbitration clause in a ship agency contract.

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## 13 Cyprus

# Supreme Court considers application to amend in rem report

In a recent decision the Supreme Court dealt with an application by summons to amend the statement of claim filed by the plaintiff in an action *in rem*. The key consideration that the courts will apply in assessing such an application is the effect of the proposed amendment on the interests of the respondent. If the effect on the respondent is disproportionate, the court will dismiss the application.

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#### 14 Netherlands

### Proof of delivery - the CMR consignment note and VAT

If a seller cannot prove that goods were delivered to its foreign buyer, it will have to pay the value added tax on the goods. For this reason, many sellers include a clause in Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road (CMR) contracts stating that the carrier must present a proof of delivery. A recent Supreme Court decision illustrates how a CMR consignment note can provide proof of delivery of cargo.

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