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CIVIL AVIATION ACT

(Act 4 of 2005)

Civil Aviation (Search and Rescue) Regulations, 2018

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“search and rescue co-ordinating committee” means the search and rescue co-ordinating committee established under regulation 6;

“search and rescue services” means the performance of distress monitoring, communication, coordination and search and rescue functions, initial medical assistance or medical evacuation, through the use of public and private resources, including

cooperating aircraft, vessels and other craft and installations;

"Seychelles search and rescue region" means an area of defined dimensions, recognised by the International Civil Aviation Organisation and the International Maritime Organisation associated with the Seychelles Joint Rescue Coordination Centre, within which search and rescue services are provided;

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3.(1) There is hereby established a centre responsible for aeronautical and maritime search and rescue services to be known as the Seychelles Joint Search and Rescue Coordination Centre.

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(3) The Seychelles Joint Search and Rescue Coordination Centre—

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