Confab Announces Electronic Aids Code

Montreal—A substantial step toward world-wide standardization of electronic aids to air navigation was taken by the Radio Technical Division of the Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization which held its final meeting here on November 23.

The division, which began its meetings on October 30, reviewed the full range of navigation equipment now available to aviation, much of which was brought to its present state of development during the war, and has now been returned to peacetime navigation and air navigation services. The division made recommendations on each category of air navigation aids; instrument approach and landing systems, short and long range navigation systems and aerodrome zone aids.

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