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The first Congress for the discussion of the technical and economic aspects of civil aviation met at Milan on the 12th, 13th and 14th, April, 1946. It was well and seriously attended and representatives of the Italian aircraft industry were among those present. The Congress was presided over by Prof. Ing. Cesare CHIODI and by Generale di Squadra Aerea Felice FOPPO.

The gestation of the Italian Internal Air Lines was discussed fully. Allied methods of air transport were examined with a view to their possible adaption to Italy. It was reaffirmed by the aircraft industry representatives that Italian aircraft material was not inferior to foreign material.

All the motions presented by the Congress were by common vote incorporated in a single motion for presentation to higher authorities, with the following requests:-

1. Transfer of air transport services from the Air Ministry to the Ministry of Transport.
2. Encouragement of private enterprise and the abolition of the State monopolistic conceptions.
3. Unification of the types of aircraft suitable for Italy's particular needs.
4. Defence of Italian Civil Aviation from foreign competition.
5. Immediate commencement of internal air traffic as far as the Allies allow.
6. Resumption of international traffic.
7. Restitution of the right for Italy to construct aircraft engines.
8. Right to construct helicopters and an experimental centre for their study.
9. Concession from the Air Ministry for use of low powered engines actually in stock.
10. Concession for the transport of post and merchandise; and the use of transport gliders.
11. Constitution of a technical Committee and of a Scientific and University Institute.

The desire of the Congress was apparent for the complete separation of civil from military aviation.

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