An accompanying volume to the Official Commentary on the Cape Town Convention and Aircraft Protocol, which quickly became the bible for all those engaged in transactions involving the Cape Town Convention and Aircraft Protocol, this volume is an indispensable guide to the Cape Town Convention and Space Protocol to all those that operate in the Space Industry.
The 2001 Cape Town Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and associated Protocols represent one of the most ambitious and imaginative private commercial law projects ever to have been concluded. By providing an international legal regimen for security and related interests in aircraft objects, railway rolling stock and space assets, the Convention and Protocol help to reduce legal uncertainty caused by differences in national laws and thereby open up to developing countries access to finance at reasonable cost. The Convention has already secured 55 ratifications and more are in the pipeline.

As Chairman of the UNIDROIT Study Group that initiated this project, Chairman of the Drafting Committee at the first diplomatic Conference and Rapporteur at the two other diplomatic Conferences, Professor Sir Roy Goode was uniquely qualified to fulfil the mandate given to him by successive diplomatic Conferences to prepare the Official Commentary on the Convention and each of the three Protocols.

This new Official Commentary provides a detailed analysis of the Convention and Space Protocol and benefits not only from the input of experts from the space industry but also from ideas exchanged with experts from the aviation industry, in the light of their experience, on matters common to all three categories of equipment covered by the Convention. With 62 illustrative examples and 11 Appendices, the Official Commentary on the Convention and Space Protocol is both an indispensable guide to all aspects of the Convention and Protocol and a compendious work of reference.

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