Claims

1. An aircraft cabin having a passenger seating arrangement in an aircraft cabin, the passenger seating arrangement comprising a column of seat units located adjacent an aisle, the column of seat units and the aisle both extending in a longitudinal direction parallel to the longitudinal axis of the aircraft cabin, and wherein

the column comprises a multiplicity of seat units, arranged consecutively along the longitudinal direction, wherein the seat units are substantially identical,

and wherein each seat unit comprises a plurality of moveable seating elements such that the seat unit is configurable between a seating configuration in which the seating elements are arranged to form a seat having a seat pan and seat back, and a flat-bed configuration in which the seating elements are arranged to form a surface for a flat-bed,

and wherein in each seat unit, the seating elements are orientated at an acute angle to the longitudinal direction and face inwardly towards the aisle,

and wherein the arrangement comprises a multiplicity of screens, each screen being arranged to respectively separate a passenger in a first seat unit in the column from a passenger in a second seat unit to one side of it in the column,

and wherein each screen comprises a space-sharing region having an upper part and a lower part below the upper part, in which:

the upper and lower parts of the screen are offset relative to each other towards the first and second seat units respectively, such that the upper part provides shoulder space for the passenger in the second seat unit when the seat units are in the seating configuration, and

the lower part provides arm space for the passenger in the first seat unit when the seat units are in the seating configuration.

2. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the first seat unit is an aft seat unit, and the second seat unit is a fore seat unit in front of it in the column.

3. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to claim 1 or claim 2, wherein a lateral direction extends perpendicular to the longitudinal direction, and wherein when the seat units are in the seating configuration, the seating elements of each seat unit are all at the same lateral position in the cabin.

4. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to claim 3, wherein the seat back of the second seat unit is adjacent the seat pan of the first seat unit.

5. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to claim 4, wherein the space-sharing region of the screen is located between the seat back of the second seat unit and the adjacent seat pan of the first seat unit.

6. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to any preceding claim, wherein each first seat unit comprises an armrest located within the arm space created by the relative offset between the upper and lower parts of the screen.

7. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to claim 6, wherein each second seat unit comprises an armrest located forward of the armrest of the first seat unit, and on the opposite side of the screen therefrom.

8. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to any preceding claim, wherein the space-sharing region comprises an inflection at which the screen transitions from the upper part to the lower part.

9. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to any preceding claim, wherein either side of the space-sharing region, the upper and lower parts of the screen follow substantially the same profile.

10. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to any preceding claim, wherein in the space-sharing region, the upper part of the screen overhangs the seat pan of the first seat unit when the seat units are in the seating configuration.

~~11. A passenger seating arrangement according to any preceding claim, wherein the screen extends from behind the seat back, and from adjacent the aircraft sidewall.~~

~~12. A passenger seating arrangement according to any preceding claim, wherein the acute angle at which the seating elements are orientated to the longitudinal direction is at least 45 degrees.~~

~~13.~~11. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to claim ~~12~~10, wherein the acute angle at which the seating elements are orientated

to the longitudinal direction is between 47 and 51 degrees.

~~14. A passenger seating arrangement according to claim 13, wherein the acute angle at which the seating elements are orientated to the longitudinal direction is substantially equal to 49 degrees.~~

~~15.~~12. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to any preceding claim, wherein the pitch between consecutive seat units in the column is between 27 and 29 inches.

~~16. A passenger seating arrangement according to claim 15, wherein the pitch between consecutive seat units in the column is substantially equal to 28 inches.~~

~~17.~~13. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to any preceding claim, wherein in the flat-bed configuration, the bed length is at least 75 inches.

~~18. A passenger seating arrangement according to claim 17, wherein in the flat-bed configuration, the bed length is between 77 and 78 inches.~~

~~19.~~14. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to any preceding claim, wherein the column of seat units is adjacent the aisle on one side, and adjacent the aircraft sidewall on the other side.

~~20.~~15. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to claim ~~19~~14, wherein the cabin comprises a second column of seat units on the

opposite side of the aisle, the second column being arranged as described with reference to the first column.

~~21.~~16. The aircraft cabin having ~~A~~ the passenger seating arrangement according to claim ~~20~~15, wherein the aisle extends along the centre line of the cabin and the second column is adjacent the aisle on one side, and adjacent the aircraft sidewall on the other side.

~~22.~~17. A multiplicity of seat units for forming the passenger seating arrangement according to any preceding claim.

~~23.~~18. A seat unit for use as one of the seat units in the passenger seating arrangement of any of claims 1 to ~~21~~16.

~~24. A passenger seating arrangement for use in an aircraft cabin, the passenger seating arrangement comprising a column of seat units, each seat unit being configurable between a seating configuration and a flat-bed configuration,~~

~~wherein the seat units are arranged in an inwardly facing herringbone layout such that when the seat units are in the seating configuration, a seat pan of each aft seat unit is adjacent a seat back of a fore seat unit in front of it in the column,~~

~~and wherein a screen is arranged to separate a passenger in each aft seat unit in the column from a passenger in a fore seat unit in front of it in the column,~~

~~and wherein in the region between the seat pan of each aft seat unit and the adjacent seat back of the respective fore seat unit, the screen comprises an upper part and a lower part below the upper part, the upper and~~

lower parts of the screen being offset relative to each other to create an overhang on the side of the screen facing the aft seat unit, such that, the upper part provides shoulder space for a passenger seated in the fore seat unit, and the lower part provides arm space for a passenger seated in the aft seat unit.

25. A screen for use as the screen in any preceding claim, the screen comprising an upper part and a lower part below the upper part, the upper and lower parts of the screen being offset relative to each other to create an overhang on the side of the screen facing an aft seat unit, such that, the upper part provides shoulder space for a passenger seated in a fore seat unit, and the lower part provides arm space for a passenger seated in the aft seat unit.