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INDONESIA COMMITS TO IMPROVING AVIATION SAFETY

MONTREAL, 2 July 2007 — Indonesia and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) today signed a groundbreaking declaration whereby Indonesia commits to prompt and wide-ranging action for improving the safety of its civil aviation system.

“There is an urgent need to implement a concrete, realistic and achievable plan of action,” said Mr. Roberto Kobeh González, President of the Council of ICAO, during his address to the Strategic Aviation Safety Summit in Bali, where the Declaration was signed.

Under the terms of the Declaration, Indonesia will restructure the Directorate General of Civil Aviation, enact the required legal framework for it to better meet international safety obligations, ensure the required human and financial resources, and correct deficiencies identified by ICAO’s Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme and other internal or external audits.

Indonesia will also implement a proactive and systemic management of safety to comply, in a verifiable manner, with national requirements and ICAO international safety standards and industry best practices. This includes a commitment by Government authorities and the local air transport industry to foster transparency and the sharing of safety-related data to support the safety management process, under guidelines established by ICAO.

Indonesia and ICAO have agreed to meet before the end of 2008 to assess progress and to agree on further action that may be necessary to achieve the aim of the declaration.

“I commend Indonesia for its openness and I wish to assure its authorities that ICAO is itself committed to doing all it can to support your drive to improve safety,” Kobeh González emphasized.

Note to Editors: The full text of the Declaration is attached.

A specialized agency of the United Nations, ICAO was created in 1944 to promote the safe and orderly development of international civil aviation throughout the world. It sets standards and regulations necessary for aviation safety, security, efficiency and regularity, as well as for aviation environmental protection. The Organization serves as the forum for cooperation in all fields of civil aviation among its 190 Contracting States.

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DECLARATION
between
the Government of the Republic of Indonesia
and
the International Civil Aviation Organization
on Enhancing Aviation Safety in Indonesia

The Government of the Republic of Indonesia and The International Civil Aviation Organization (hereinafter referred to as “ICAO”);

Recognizing that a safe and efficient civil aviation system is an essential element of sustainable economic and social development;

Having met at the occasion of the Aviation Safety Summit organized from 2-3 July 2007 in Bali;

Referring to the Convention on International Civil Aviation 1944;

DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT:

1. Indonesia commits to improve the safety of its Aviation system by:

- a. Strengthening the safety oversight capability of the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA):
 - 1) by restructuring the Directorate General of Civil Aviation and enacting the legal framework to ensure that the DGCA is able to meet its international obligations in terms of safety oversight and implementation of international standard;
 - 2) by ensuring that it has access to financial and human resources that are commensurate with the level of aviation activity; and
 - 3) by implementing promptly corrective action necessary to correct deficiencies identified during the ICAO Safety Oversight Audit or other internal or external audits.
- b. Implementing a proactive and systemic management of safety based on:
 - 1) Compliance, to be confirmed through internal and external audits, with applicable National requirements, ICAO Standards and industry best practices;
 - 2) Implementation of a safety programme in accordance with the new provisions of ICAO Annexes 6, 11 and 14 and establishment of acceptable levels of safety/indicators/targets;
 - 3) Implementation of safety management systems (SMS) by aerodrome operators, aircraft operators and air navigation services providers whereby risks are analyzed and acted upon in an effective way;
 - 4) Commitment by Government authorities and industry to foster transparency and a just culture in which voluntary reporting is encouraged and where all incidents and accidents are reported and investigated without fear for misuse of the safety-related information provided in accordance with ICAO Annex 13 and relevant national requirement and industry best practices; and

- 5) Sharing and use of safety data to support the safety management process;
2. ICAO commits to assist Indonesia in its effort to improve aviation safety and to coordinate the cooperation with all interested stakeholders within the framework of its Global aviation Safety Plan and the Industry Global Aviation Safety Roadmap.
3. Indonesia and ICAO agree to meet before the end of 2008 to assess progress and to agree on further action that may be necessary to achieve the aim of this Declaration.

Done at Denpasar, Bali, this Second Day of July 2007

**For the Government of
the Republic of Indonesia**

**For the International Civil Aviation
Organization**

**H.E. Jusman Syafii Djamal
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**Roberto Kobeh González
President of Council of ICAO**