



COMPREHENSIVE REGIONAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR AVIATION SECURITY AND FACILITATION IN AFRICA (AFI SECFAL PLAN)

SECOND AFI SECFAL PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

(Montreal, Canada, 27 November 2015)

Agenda Item 2: Proposed Programme of 2016 AFI SECFAL Plan Activities

(Presented by AFI SECFAL Plan Secretariat)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This paper presents information to the Steering Committee on the proposed programme of 2016 AFI SECFAL Plan activities.

Action: The Steering Committee is invited to:

- a) Note the information contained in the paper; and
- b) Provide further instructions and guidance for the continued implementation of the 2016 Work programme as contained in **Appendix** to this paper

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The initial implementation phase of the Plan is expected to cover a period of two and a half years and focuses on short term priorities. The successful completion of this phase will subsequently enable the Plan to address medium-term objectives over a period of 5 year period, and long term objectives targeting an eight year period. The 2016 work program is a component of the initial phase.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 In the Short term period to be completed by 1st December 2017, priority is given to the improvement of aviation security and facilitation through the establishment of programmes, coordination mechanisms, identification of financial and human resources which could be offered in kind where needed, and resolution of specific issues. Accomplishments of this phase should include promulgated primary aviation legislation and regulations by all states, and establishment of process for identifying priorities and projects.

2.2 The Work Programme for 2016 which forms the critical foundation for the Plan implementation will include the following:

2.2.1 Provide mechanism to effectively harmonize efforts and avoid duplications, identify and prioritize problem areas, guide and focus efforts to areas for attain the significant impact, provide platform for sharing information, data and lessons learned by and among States, and provision of assistance.

2.2.2 Raise awareness of the role of aviation as an enabler to growth of national economies and social development and the need to prioritize aviation in national and continental strategic programmes and to help States commit to implementing AVSEC and FAL Standards and Recommended Practices.

2.2.3 Heightening activities to strengthen political will to help advance States commit to implementing AVSEC and FAL Standards and Recommended Practices and related programmes.

2.2.4 Mobilization of funds and resources through possible sources that include among others; internal ICAO funds, contributions from AFI, none AFI States, support and partnership with regional economic communities, international, donor community and the industry.

2.2.5 Increase consultations with States and Major Stakeholders in corroboration and under the coordination of AFCAC in case of AFI States. Steering Committee activities and meetings to continue with regular reporting to ICAO Council which confirms assurance of a systematic monitoring and guiding implementation process.

2.2.6 Secure political commitment at continental and national levels and adopt a declaration highlighting continental AFI SECFAL Plan goals and targets to be achieved. The adopted Ministerial declaration is to be endorsed by AU summit in mid-2016.

2.2.7 Establishment of Regional Aviation Security and Facilitation Group composed of an appropriately identified membership of experts which will perform under clear Terms of Reference and Work Programme.

2.2.8 Evaluation of the results of Training Needs Survey/Assessment to be completed, and implementation process launched.

2.2.9 Conducting of a needs analysis exercise to be the outcome of which will be employed to develop assistance strategies.

3. CONCLUSION

3.1 The Steering Committee is invited to:

- a) Note the information contained in the paper; and
- b) Provide further instructions and guidance for the development and implementation of the AFI SECFAL 2016 Work Programme as contained in **Appendix** to this paper
