Ref.: AFI Plan/AIG/0065

Subject: ICAO Accident/Incident Investigation Workshop
(Johannesburg, South Africa, 17 to 21 August 2015)

Action Required: Submit Completed Registration Form not later than 17 July 2015

Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to inform you that the ICAO Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Safety in Africa (AFI Plan), in conjunction with the Accident Investigation Section (AIG) of ICAO, and the Safe Skies for Africa Program will conduct a Regional Accident/Incident Investigation Workshop in Johannesburg, South Africa, from 17 to 21 August 2015. This Workshop, which was recommended by the 14th AFI Plan Steering Committee meeting held in Montreal, Canada on 24 October 2015, is being kindly hosted by the South African Department of Transport.

The objective of the Workshop is to provide an opportunity for accident/incident investigators and manufacturer’s representatives to share their expertise and experience and explore further ideas on intra-regional cooperation. The following aspects of accident/incident investigations are envisaged to be covered (please refer to Attachment A - Provisional Program of the Workshop):

- ICAO Annex 13 provisions;
- aspects of investigation of aircraft occurrences, including manufacturers presentations;
- the management of the investigation of a major accident involving a large aircraft;
- capturing the results of an investigation in an accident/incident report; and
- the gathering and analysis of data for accident/incident prevention purposes.

During the Workshop, accident investigation cases will be presented and the programme will include presentations on topics of significant interest related to accident/incident investigation and prevention. Opportunity will also be created for group discussions.

ICAO Annex 13 was amended and several guidance materials were either produced or reviewed as a consequence of the 2008 AIG Divisional meeting as well as other similar meetings. This regional accident/incident investigation Workshop will therefore provide an excellent opportunity to also exchange views on the amended version of Annex 13 and arrive at an agreed approach on how best to address issues at the regional level.

I am pleased to extend an invitation to your Administration to attend this Accident/Incident Investigation Workshop which will be conducted in the English Language.
A minimum of two places is being reserved at the Workshop for each State/Administration; however, in case additional space is available, States may nominate more participants. You are also kindly requested to limit your nominations to persons who are involved with aircraft accident/incident investigation and flight safety matters.

I would appreciate it if you would confirm the participation of your Administration/Organization to this workshop at your earliest convenience, preferably not later than 17 July 2015, by email to: icaoesaf_afiplan@icao.int. Attachment B (Registration Form) is provided for this purpose. Participants are also encouraged to register online at: http://www.icao.int/ESAF/Pages/meetings.aspx. The exact venue of the Workshop and a list of recommended hotels including other important information will be communicated through information bulletin to registered participants. Please also note that travel, accommodation and living expenses are to be covered by your Administration/Organization.

Please accept, Sir/ Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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ICAO Regional Director WACAF
and
Secretary of the AFI Plan
Steering Committee

Attachments:

A – Provisional Programme
B - Registration Form