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**Subject: Inter-Regional AFI Air Traffic Management (ATM) Coordination Meeting
(Virtual, 28 June – 2 July 2021)**

Action required: Confirmation of Attendance by 25 June 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to invite your Administration to participate at the Virtual Inter-Regional Air Traffic Management Coordination Meeting for the Africa and Indian Ocean (AFI) Flight Information Regions (ATM CM – AFI FIRs) to be held daily on **28 June to 2 July 2021**.

The primary objective of the meeting is to coordinate the provision of Air Traffic Services in order to improve safety, with a focus on addressing the ATM coordination issues across the region including with neighbouring ICAO regions.

The Agenda will include:

- 1) Update on the latest amendments to the related ICAO SARPs;
- 2) Status report on the on-going APIRG projects which will affect the AFI eANP;
- 3) The ICAO process for amending the ANP;
- 4) Review of the AFI ATS route network;
- 5) Regional coordination and amendments to Letters of Procedures/Agreements (LOP/A); and
- 6) Reports on Civil/Military coordination and cooperation.

The success of this meeting is highly dependent on the inputs from experienced ATM experts as participants. Also highly encouraged is the participation of officials with current knowledge in operational matters relating to air navigation infrastructure and the airspace in which your Administration is responsible for the provision of air traffic services.

Considering that the meeting will discuss procedures to alleviate the coordination failures, it is recommended that the participants make available copies of the Letters of Procedures/Agreement (LOP/LOA) relating to their adjacent airspaces, in order to facilitate the updating of the LOP/LOAs based on operational procedural changes that will be addressed during the meeting.

The Provisional Agenda with explanatory notes and Tentative Work Programme are provided as **Attachment A** and **B** to this letter. The Meeting link will be forwarded to the confirmed participants, through email in due course.

I would appreciate it if you could confirm participation of your Administration at this meeting at your earliest convenience, preferably **not later than 25 June 2021** by forwarding your response to the following e-mail address icaoesaf@icao.int, copy to kogutu@icao.int and manyango@icao.int

Yours sincerely,



Barry Kashambo
Regional Director

Attachments:

- A – Provisional Agenda
- B – Order of Business