



## DIRECTORS GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION-MIDDLE EAST REGION

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### **Agenda Item 6: Aviation Security**

JOINT COOPERATION THROUGH THE EXCHANGE OF EXPERTISE,  
AND COOPERATION IN IMPROVING SEARCH METHODS,  
AND PERFORMANCE AND TRAINING SURVEILLANCE TECHNIQUES

*(Presented by the United Arab Emirates)*

#### **SUMMARY**

Developing a concept on exchange of expertise as the ideal use of *modern technology* in airport security, which may affect aviation security interests in member states, and the possible agreement on developing a MoU model for pan Arab states.

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 Further to the joint statement (Abu Dhabi Announcement) by the MID Civil Aviation Security Conference held from 1 - 2 June 2010 issued in Abu Dhabi, and in view of increased criminal action that jeopardizes air transport security, safety, regularity, efficiency and related facilities, it is vital that all possible measures are taken to guarantee the protection, safety, and security of civil aviation against illegal intrusions on land or in flight. The measures should be prepared to confront various threats.

1.2 This joint cooperation can be achieved through the exchange of expertise in order to improve search methods as well as performance and training surveillance techniques by creating official communication channels between the countries in the MID to urge them to make optimal use of modern technology in airport security.

1.3 This involves providing Computer-based Training (CBT) courses to discuss how trainees interact with administrative training systems on security. The aim is that these courses will give details on how to monitor the performance of trainees to develop a customized training program that keeps reports, and to manage user accounts and security provisions to safeguard against document forgery (i.e. these reports cannot be modified). This would make the course interactive and user-friendly, and modifiable.

1.4 This training may be highly beneficial should there be a need to provide MID countries with modern technologies to increase security at ports of entry. The additional benefit would be achieving higher ranking for MID airports in terms of security efficiency by international organizations.

1.5 In light of the above, setting up official communication channels between countries will facilitate the optimal use of modern technology in the field of airport security in an immediate and continuous manner. This will safeguard civil aviation against illegal intrusions and promote the development of civil aviation security in MID countries through unifying security provisions on the level of MID airports.

1.6 Furthermore, exchange of expertise operations would prove vital in obtaining information about the techniques used by any parties intending to penetrate or jeopardize security by using security equipment and operational procedures. Standard ICAO rule 2-5-1 in the 17<sup>th</sup> appendix of the Chicago Agreement states that all countries signing the contract should promote research and development activities regarding new security equipment, as well as procedures and processes aimed at realizing increased civil aviation security. Other countries who have signed the contract should also collaborate in the same manner in this respect.

1.7 In their turn, some international organizations have recently established communication channels with MID countries urging them to sign memorandums on optimal use of inter-exchange of information concerning modern technology on airport security

## **2. RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 Urge MID countries to promptly engage in exchange of expertise through setting proper mechanisms for optimal use of modern technology on civil aviation security, and persuade them to benefit from (CBT) courses available in some countries.

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