INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION
NORTH AMERICAN, CENTRAL AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN OFFICE

FIRST MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF CIVIL AVIATION
OF THE CARIBBEAN REGION (CAR/DCA/1)

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(Presented by the Secretariat)

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Agenda Item 1:   **GREPECAS and Sub regional Working Group Conclusions.**

        Under this Agenda Item, the Meeting may wish to review the executive summary on the outstanding Conclusions of the Third Regional Air Navigation Meeting, GREPECAS and Sub regional Working Groups grouped by air navigation areas, which are applicable to the CAR Region and take the necessary actions in this regard.

Agenda Item 2:   **Safety Oversight**

        This Agenda Item will be a presentation on the background, objectives and achievement of Safety Oversight including a review of the elements of the Global Aviation Safety Plan GASP and prioritization of the safety related tasks. The Meeting will also be informed on the background and status of the ICAO Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme, including the introduction of the analysis of the Audit findings. Included in the presentation will also be the information on the ICAO Assembly Resolution A33-8, describing the continuation of the USOAP via the Audit Follow-up missions and the expansion of the USOAP to the ICAO Annexes 11, 13 and 14. In this presentation the Meeting will also be briefed on the ICAO Regional activities and achievements in Safety Oversight.

Agenda Item 3.   **ICAO Council Representation**

        This Agenda Item will be carried out behind closed doors with the Heads of Delegation of the Caribbean Island States on the voting system for ICAO Council Representatives. The invited States are Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago and the Director of Civil Aviation of the OECS.

Agenda Item 4:   **Air Navigation**

4.1   **ATM Developments**

        Under this Agenda Item the following issues will be dealt with:

a) Implementation by States/Territories/ATS Service Providers of the ATS Quality Assurance Programmes aimed at increasing the quality of these services in the CAR Region;
b) Information on and actions requested of States/Territories/ATS Service Providers for the implementation of RNAV routes;
c) Requested Navigation Performance (RNP) and Reduced Vertical Separation Minima (RVSM) in the CAR Region; and
d) Information on the activities related with Runway Safety and Runway Incursions being performed in the CAR Region.

4.2   **CNS Developments**

        Under this Agenda Item the Meeting may take note of the latest developments regarding the CNS Systems. Moreover, it is expected that the Meeting will agree upon regional actions in order to continue the following CNS developments:

a) Support ICAO's position at ITU's WRC-2003;
b) Development of Regional Digital Networks;
c) Complete the required VHF and HF AMS coverage;
d) Transition AFTN to ATN. Implementation of the ground portion of ATN;
e) GNSS Implementation; and
f) Radar data sharing.

4.3   **AGA Developments**

The Secretariat will provide the meeting with a status update on the implementation of the requirement for State certification of aerodromes and the expansion of the ICAO Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme (USOAP) to include aerodromes (Annex 14) audits.

4.4   **AIS Developments**

Under this Agenda Item the Meeting will review AIS/MAP issues related with the development and implementation of an AIS/MAP Automation Plan and an AIS/MAP Quality Assurance Programme in the CAR Region. Likewise, the Meeting should review the status of implementation of the WGS-84 System, as well as the examination of other AIS/MAP matters related to the CAR States/Territories.

4.5   **MET Developments:**

Under this Agenda Item, the Meeting will be informed of the following MET issues:

a)   Overview of the current status of WAFS and transition to the final phase;
b)   Communication/Meteorology (COM/MET) Special Implementation Project for the Caribbean Region; and
c)   ANC's Approval and Regulations on Conclusion 10/39 – Training of Aeronautical Meteorological Personnel in the CAR/SAM Regions

4.6   **CAR Region Contingency Plan**

The Meeting will review a Draft Contingency Plan for the CAR Region prepared by experts in the region aimed at having a contingency plan to be used when required as a result of natural disasters, equipment failures, industrial situations, etc. It is expected that the Meeting will also review and approve a draft Agreement to be used as a Framework among the different States in the CAR Region that will facilitate ATS contingency plans of the different flight information regions (FIRs) of the CAR Region and execution of the Contingency Plan for the CAR Region.

4.7   **Air Navigation Deficiencies**

Under this Agenda Item the Meeting is expected to note the status of Deficiencies in the different Air Navigation fields in the CAR Region. Likewise, the Secretariat will remind the Meeting on the use of the Uniform Methodology approved by the ICAO Council for the identification, assessment and reporting of deficiencies to the ICAO Regional Offices.

Agenda Item 5:   **Human Resources Planning and Training**

Under this Agenda Item the Meeting is invited to discuss aspects related to human resources planning and training which would be necessary for the efficient transition to the CNS/ATM systems. Training issues in all aviation areas will be discussed.

Agenda Item 6:   **Technical Cooperation Projects**

The Meeting will receive information on ICAO Technical Cooperation Projects involving the CAR Region States.

Agenda Item 7:   **Search and Rescue/Mass Casualty Incidents (SAR/MCI)**

It is expected that the Chairmen of the E/CAR SAR Committee (Trinidad) and C/CAR MCI/SAR Task Force (Jamaica) will provide the meeting with a status update on the development of the respective sub-regional civil aviation mass casualty incident response plans.

Agenda Item 8:   **Air Transport**

8.1   **Security**

The Secretariat will provide the meeting with a status update on the latest ICAO Secretariat, AVSEC Panel and GREPECAS AVSEC Committee activities and developments in aviation security including the ICAO Aviation Security Plan of Action, AVSEC audits, AVSEC SARPs and the AVSEC Mechanism.

8.2   **War Risk Insurance**

The Secretariat will provide the meeting with a status update on the establishment of an ICAO global aviation war risk insurance scheme to cover the risks left open by the withdrawal of commercial insurance coverage, in whole or in part, following the terrorism events of 11 September 2001.

8.3   **Privatisation of Airports and Air Navigation Services**

Under this Agenda Item aspects related to the Privatisation of Airports and Air Navigation Services of interest to the Meeting will be dealt with.

8.4   **Funding of Civil Aviation Activities**

The Meeting will be informed of different initiatives being dealt with by ICAO for the funding of civil aviation activities

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