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Ref.: M 6/1-02/79 27 September 2002

Subject: Addressing air navigation deficiencies

Action required: As suggested in paragraph 3

below

Sir/Madam.

- 1. I have the honour to draw to your attention that the ICAO Planning and Implementation Regional Groups (PIRGs), as part of their work programme, are identifying, assessing and addressing the air navigation deficiencies through a uniform methodology which was approved by the ICAO Council at the 19th meeting of its 154th Session on 23 June 1998.
- 2. In discussing the ways and means to resolving the air navigation deficiencies, the Council recently observed that many deficiencies continue to persist for a number of years thus causing concern. While recognizing that problems with funding could be one of the delaying factors in eliminating the deficiencies by the States, it was decided that the States should be reminded of their responsibility under Article 28 of the Convention on International Civil Aviation (Doc 7300) for providing safe air navigation services. Furthermore, States should increase their efforts in overcoming the delay in mitigating the air navigation deficiencies identified by Planning and Implementation Regional Groups (PIRGs). It was also stated that some of the deficiencies may have a negative effect on the safety issues covered by the Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP) which was transmitted to States by my State letter AN 6/37-02/11 dated 31 January 2002. Problems with maintenance of air navigation facilities have also caused serious concerns. The Council requested that measures be taken to accord priority to this matter through the allocation of adequate financial and human resources.
- 3. On my advice, the ICAO Regional Director accredited to your State has analysed the regional air navigation deficiencies and as a result prepared the attached list of existing deficiencies in your State. As you can see from the attachment, your State is experiencing deficiencies in the field of air navigation. Hence, I urge you to formulate a plan of action to eliminate those deficiencies by allocating sufficient resources. ICAO itself remains active in providing some form of assistance in eliminating the deficiencies through Technical Cooperation Projects and Special Implementation Projects. We hope to expand our involvement through the soon to be established International Financial

Facility for Aviation Safety (IFFAS). Meanwhile, I wish to express confidence in your personal interest in developing and implementing the action plan of your State to eliminate the deficiencies in the air navigation field.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

R.C.Costa Pereira Secretary General

Attachment:

A — List of air navigation deficiencies in your State