

C/CAR DCA/7 - IP/01International Civil Aviation Organization04/04/06North American, Central American and Caribbean Office04/04/06Eighth Meeting of Directors of Civil Aviation of the Central Caribbean (C/CAR DCA/8)Curaçao, Netherlands Antilles, 15 to 18 May 2006

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

## 1. Meeting Venue

The Eighth Meeting of Directors of Civil Aviation of the Central Caribbean (C/CAR DCA/8) will be held at the World Trade Center Curacao, Netherlands Antilles.

## 2. Address, Telephone, etc.

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#### 3. Registration of Participants

Participants are requested to register at the Registration Desk between 08.00 and 9.00. For identification purposes, participants are requested to wear the identification badge that will be provided during registration

## 4. General Information

a) <u>Weather</u>

The average temperature in Curacao for May is 81° F or 27°C with humidity of 80%

b) <u>Currency and Credit Cards</u>

The unit of currency is the Nafl. (Antillean Guilder). Current exchange rate is Nafl.1.75=US\$1.00 US\$ are widely accepted at all shops, stores, hotels, restaurants and taxi's -2-

International credit cards such as American Express, MasterCard, Visa, Diners Club etc., are usually accepted at major hotels, shops and restaurants. Travelers' cheques should be exchanged at local Banks.

c) <u>Hotel reservations</u>

Selected Hotels that are close to the meeting venue are listed below. Participants should arrange hotel accommodations well in advance directly with the selected hotels. DCA Netherlands Antilles will be pleased to assist in arranging hotel accommodations.

HOTEL	SINGLE / DOUBLE ROOM
CURACAO MARRIOTT BEACH RESORT AND EMERALD CASINO* Piscadera Bay, P.O. Box 6003 Willemstad, Netherlands Antilles Tel. + 5999 736 8800[ Fax + 5999 462 7502 Web:http://marriott.com/property/propertypage/CURMC	Single USD\$169, Double USD\$179 Including breakfast Without 20% Taxes
* five minutes walk from venue HILTON HOTEL CURACAO JOHN F. KENNEDY BOULEVARD Willemstad, Curaçao Netherlands Antilles Tel. + 5999 462 5000 Fax + 5999 462 5848 www.hiltoncaribbean.com/curacao * six minutes walk from venue	Single USD\$127, double USD\$139 Includes Breakfast Without 19% Taxes
HOTEL HOLIDAY BEACH & CASINO Pater Euwensweg 31 P.O. Box 2178 Curaçao, Netherlands Antilles Tel + 599-9 462-5400 Fax + 599-9 462-4397 / 562 5409 E-mail: reservations@holiday-beach.com Web: http://www.hol-beach.com/index2.html	Single USD\$99, double USD\$53 Includes Taxes, without breakfast
OTRABANDA HOTEL AND CASINO P.O. Box 2092 Breedestraat (O), Willemstad Curaçao, Netherlands Antilles Phone: +599(9) 462-7400 Fax: +599(9) 462-7299 Email: info@otrobandahotel.com	Single USD\$105, double USD\$125 Includes Taxes and breakfast

HOWARD JOHNSON	CURAÇAO	PLAZA	HOTEL	&	
CASINO					
Brionplein z/n, Otroban	ıda				Single USD\$70, double
Willemstad, Curaçao					USD\$35
Netherlands Antilles					Without Breakfast and
Tel. + 5999 462 7800					including Taxes
Fax + 5999 462 7803					
Web: http://www.hojo-	-curacao.co	m/			

*Note*:

- As customary, hotel reservations need to be guaranteed-up with an international credit card
- Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel, Hotel Otrabanda and Holiday Beach Hotel are located outside the planned venue area, taxi fare to and from venue is approx. US\$10.00
- Above hotel rates are based on a minimum of 10 rooms reservations
  - d) <u>Arriving departing/at airport</u>

Upon arrival at the Hato International airport participants should use the airport taxi services for transportation to their respective hotels. Taxi fare from the airport to the selected hotel zone is about US\$20.00 The airport departure tax is US\$23.00

# 5. Local transportation

## The recommended methods of transportation are taxis.

## 6. Hospitals

If necessary, emergency services are available, for more information inquiry at:

Local call Hospital Saint Elizabeth: 910 Ambulance: 912 Police: 911

## 7. Commercial working hours

In the City from 08:00 to 18:00 hours approximately. Banks, Monday to Friday from 08:00 to 15:00 hours. In malls/shopping centers from 08:30 to 18:00 hours approximately

## 8. Electricity

120 Volts / 50 Hz is the hotel standard. If 220 Volts are required, please request information at hotel registration.

# 9. Visa

To be verified at embassies and consulates missions in respective States.

## **10.** Airline telephone numbers

You may re-confirm your return flights to the following local telephone numbers:Dutch Antilles Expresstel:5999-7170500American Airlinestel:8695707American Eagletel:8882808Air Jamaicatel:8882300Aviancatel:8680122

# 11. Others

Tax charged to purchases is 5% and indicated as "inclusive" if already included in consumer prices. Tips in restaurants and related places are normally included in the bills. If not, then they are at your discretion. However, 10% is the norm.

For more detailed information, please visit our official tourism website at <a href="http://www.curacao.com">http://www.curacao.com</a>

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