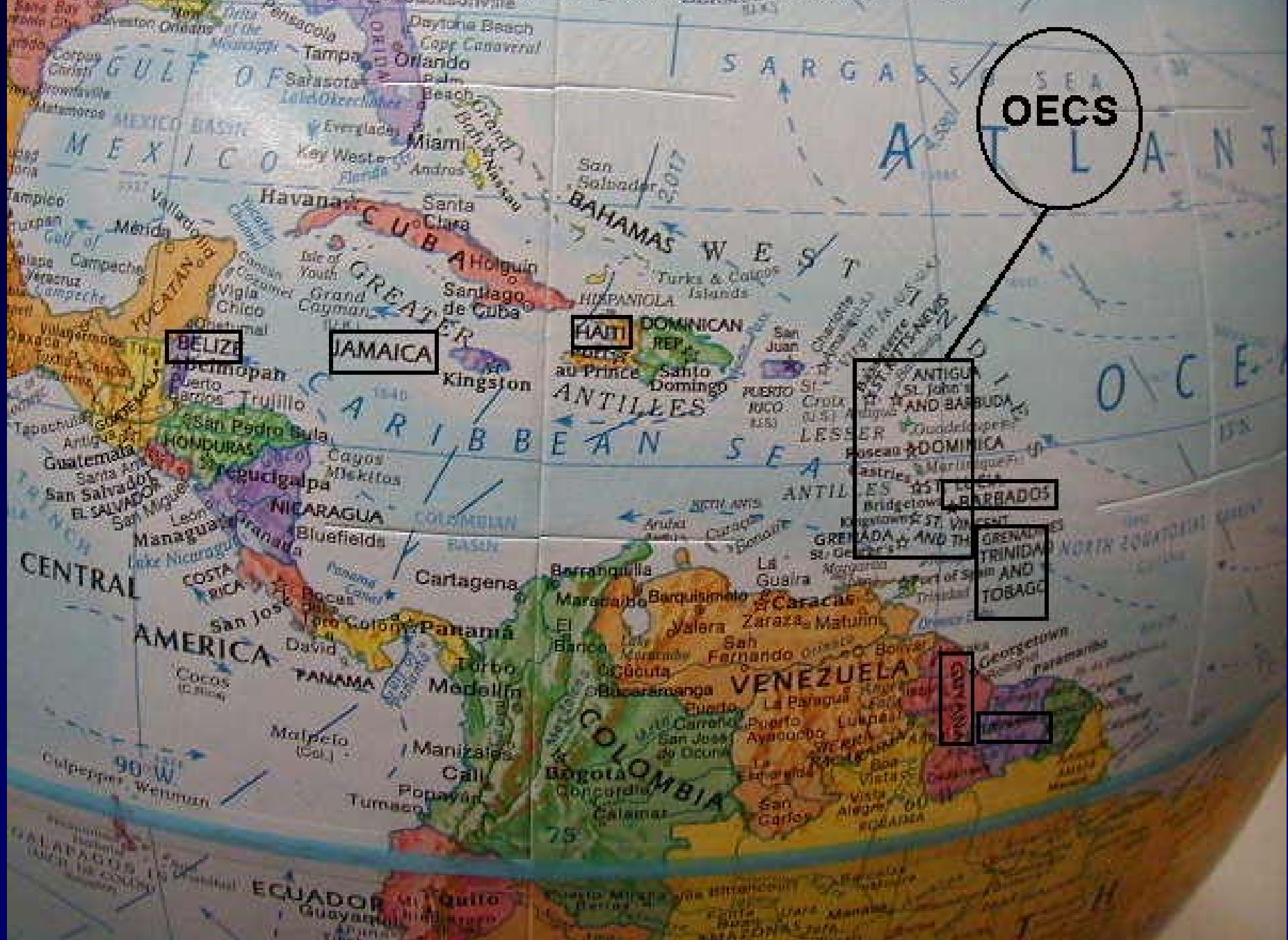


# **REGIONAL AVIATION SAFETY OVERSIGHT SYSTEM**

**RASOS BECOMES CASSOS**

**CARIBBEAN AVIATION  
SAFETY AND SECURITY  
OVERSIGHT SYSTEM**

## ACAAC MEMBER CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES



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# Status of RASOS Members Move into CASSOS

- **Barbados-done**
- **Belize (active with ACSA)**
- **Guyana-done**
- **Haiti-in process**
- **Jamaica-in process**
- **OECS-done**
- **Suriname-in process**
- **Trinidad and Tobago-done**

# CASSOS SAFETY Workload

- 275+ aircraft including 60 transport category (747, 320, 321, 319, 738, MD80, DHC8, 340)
- 4 international air transport airlines, 4 commuter & 40 air taxi companies
- 25 approved maintenance organizations
- 30 foreign repair stations
- 2000+ licensed personnel
- 30+ foreign operators
- 60+ airline stations
- Approved Training Organizations

# CASSOS Safety Workload

- ❑ 20 Control Towers
- ❑ 9 Terminal Control Units
- ❑ 5 Area Control Centers and FIRS
- ❑ 7 AIS Units
- ❑ 10 VOR most with DME, 5 ILS some with DME
- ❑ 15 NDB
- ❑ Several RNAV transitions, STARS, approaches and SIDS
- ❑ 4 Area Radar 4 Terminal Radar
- ❑ Multiple Communications and MET units
- ❑ Five ATC training schools

# CASSOS Technical Resources

- 7 CAA organizations for 13 States
- 7 licensing officers
- 32 aviation safety inspectors (14 Ops, 16 AW, 2 Cabin Safety/Dangerous Goods)
- 7 Aerodrome inspectors, 7 Security inspectors, Three ANS Inspectors
- CASSOS Staff (Coordinator OPS Asst Coordinator AW)
- Trans national inspectorate comes from above resources
- Donor state technical experts

# CASSOS Developments

- Inaugural Board Meeting to be held in next few weeks.
- Budget and administrative rules being determined.
- Member contribution mechanism being formalized
- Sustainable funding for past 6.5 years as RASOS.
- Interim Office in Jamaica already.
- Web Site [www.rasos.org](http://www.rasos.org) will become CASSOS website name TBA
- More permanent staffing being examined.
- Records and filing system already in place.
- Permanent office location to be decided.

# CASSOS Developments

- Common inspector technical qualification and skill record template developed.
- Template for inspection and surveillance work planning developed.
- Matrix of member authority inspectors qualifications and skills developed and provided to members.
- Cadre of trans national inspectors designated



# CASSOS Developments

## **-rules harmonized to MCAR model**

- harmonized personnel licensing system (80% completed)**
- common written examinations (95% completed)**
- aerodrome certification**
- common flight test standards (95% completed)**
- common inspection forms**
- central aircraft register database**
- central audit groups (air operator, security)**
- central incident and accident investigation group**
- common foreign operator and repair station approvals**
- RASOS WEBSITE**

# CASSOS Developments

- **Technical Cooperation & Progress**
  - **Suriname CASAS** (achieved Category One 2003)
  - **Trinidad and Tobago CAA** (Category One 2005)
  - **Jamaica CAA** (achieved Category One 1997, 2005)
  - **Barbados DCA** (preparing for ICAO & IASA compliance)
  - **Haiti** (preparing for ICAO & IASA compliance)
  - **Guyana CAA** (preparing for ICAO & IASA compliance)
  - **OECS DCA** ( Category One 2006)
  - **Trans national inspections and cooperation**

# CASSOS Developments

- Heads of State Agreement renamed RASOS as CASSOS and designated CASSOS as a CARICOM Institution
- CASSOS- Caribbean Aviation Safety and Security Oversight System

# CASSOS Development

- Continue to seek donor funding especially for ongoing training and technical development assistance for CASSOS.
- Possibility for future widening of CASSOS membership.
- Focus shifted to all 18 ICAO Annexes

# CASSOS Developments

- Upcoming work:
  - continue with working groups, evolve to become CARICOM Institution
  - formation of additional standing committees for all ICAO Annexes
  - investigate regional security projects
  - complete regional inspection and surveillance and certification work plan, review CAAs
  - continue to develop regional human resources through training, promote regional model
  - continue WEBSITE enhancements

# Thank You.

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