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The Exchange Of Expertise And Experiences Among Countries In Order To Enhance Civil Aviation Security At The Regional And International Level

Foreword

This Presentation will discuss ways of optimizing and studying the experiences gained by countries and the way of disseminating them through a system of best practices in training, risk assessment methodology, effective security measures, new techniques and technologies, in the light of the Global Aviation Security Plan (GASeP).

Terrorism continues to pose a growing threat against civil aviation as terrorism attacks has become increasingly severe in recent years, including threats and current risks, which requires security to remain a top priority for countries

- Coordination
- Exchange of experiences, and;
- Positive cooperation among all countries.

Are considered the pillars of enhancing and improving aviation security among States, regional organizations and institutions are:

With reference to what is stated in Standard No. 2.4.2 of Annex 17 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation:

"Each Contracting State shall cooperate with other States in the development and exchange of information concerning national civil aviation security programmes, training programmes and quality control programmes, as necessary"

Based on Security Council resolution 2309, in which it called upon all States to strengthen their cooperation at the regional and international levels in order to enhance the exchange of information and assistance in the delivery of effective and targeted services in the areas of capacity development-training and technical assistance.

Based on one of the goals of the Global Aviation Security Plan (GASeP) In respect of cooperation and exchange of information among States, as well as to encourage States and stakeholders to find new and innovative ways to implement appropriate policies and security measures.

In accordance with the goals of the Global Aviation Security Plan regarding (INCREASE COOPERATION AND SUPPORT) States shall:

- Contribute resources to ICAO, States and stakeholders for auditing/peer review.
- Provide increased assistance (where possible) for capacity and Capabilities development.
- Commitment to enhance effective implementation by recipient States.

And in appreciation of the international role that the International Civil Aviation Organization, ICAO played, including but not limited to the regional role played by both the Arab Civil Aviation Commission ACAC and African Civil Aviation Organization AFCAC through partnerships and the exchange of experiences among member states.

Enhancing aviation security globally will bring financial and other economic benefits. The economic and financial cost to States, airports, airlines, and stakeholders of terror attacks and security breaches can be very significant, and the loss of human lives cannot be measured.

On the financial and economic side, some recent attacks have caused losses as high as US $4.47 billion* as a result of close to two weeks suspension of airport and airline operations, repair to infrastructure, and other losses suffered from terror attacks

* Source:Daien Sharkov, Newsweek, 23 March 2016

The GASeP therefore aims to :
Foster amongst ICAO, States, industry, and stakeholders a greater commitment to enhancing global aviation security.

With all stakeholders fulfilling their responsibilities set out in the Roadmap, the sustained level of secure and safe civil aviation operations will prevent stakeholders from suffering human, economic, financial and other losses. And strengthened global aviation system will provide a conducive environment for global economic growth and development that will benefit all States.

Overarching principles of GASeP

- **No Country Left Behind** to insure that all States have access to significant socio-economic benefits from the implementation of the GASeP Roadmap.
- **Effective implementation and compliance** through consistent application of proper measures with a robust security quality control and oversight system.
- **Sustainability** of applying appropriate and realistic measure.

- **Cooperation and information sharing** between and among States and stakeholders in the shape of bilateral and/or multilateral air services agreements, with focus on security outcomes as the basis for international cooperation.
- **Security culture and human capacity development** to establish a strong human capital, skill and competency.
- **Innovation** through encouragement of States and stakeholders to devise, establish and share to implement security polices and measures.
- **Identifying, understanding and managing risk** to enhance understanding risks related to aviation security and take appropriate and effective action

In light of all the above, in order to enhance the security of civil aviation at the international and regional levels, the Global Aviation Security Plan seeks to assist ICAO and States in enhancing the effectiveness of aviation security globally and unifying the civil aviation security community. Therefore an urgent need to increase the means of strengthening partnerships and cooperation between States in the areas of training and new technological techniques.

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