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AVIATION SECURITY ASSISTANCE AND CAPACITY BUILDING STRATEGY

(Presented by 54 Contracting States¹, Members of the African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC))

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This paper requests ICAO to continue to develop effective assistance activities to promote a higher level of compliance with Annex 17 – *Security* and the security provisions of Annex 9 – *Facilitation*. This paper seeks to support the development and implementation of the Aviation Security Assistance and Capacity Building Strategy by ICAO. This paper also calls upon the ICAO contracting States to support the broadening of the network of the AVSEC training facilities.

Action: The Assembly is invited to:

- note ICAO initiatives in providing leadership in developing and coordinating the implementation of the Aviation Security Assistance and Capacity Building Strategy.
- request the Council to direct the Secretary General to work on broadening the network of AVSEC training facilities; and
- request the Secretary General to continue to provide leadership in the further development of AVSEC assistance and capacity building with a view to enhancing the outreach of the Strategy and to give priority to developing States.

<i>Strategic Objectives:</i>	This working paper relates to Strategic Objectives B – <i>Security</i> .
<i>Financial implications:</i>	Regular ICAO budget for the triennium 2014 to 2016.
<i>References:</i>	A 37-WP/17 A 37-WP/18 ICAO Doc 9958.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 AFCAC has noted with appreciation, the efforts of the ICAO Secretariat in providing, coordinating and facilitating assistance to States in the area of Aviation Security as mandated by the Assembly Resolution A37-17. The implementation of State Improvement Plans (SIPs) enabled the Secretariat to provide technical assistance and capacity-building support to ICAO member States.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 AFCAC supports the work of ICAO and the advancement of the Aviation Security Assistance and Capacity Building Strategy and AFCAC takes note that some African States and AVSEC specialists benefitted from these activities, including training.

2.2 AFCAC has noted that there are Contracting States which are experiencing serious constraints and are urged to take advantage of the ICAO assistance and capacity-building activities.

2.3 AFCAC further wishes to note that out of the 24 endorsed and accredited ASTCs worldwide, only 4 are located in Africa. Statistics indicate that there are approximately 7 countries per training centre, whereas the African region records 13 countries per training centre. AFCAC is thus of the view that there are other training centres in Africa that would need to be endorsed by ICAO in order to ensure adequate access to training by all African and other Contracting States.

3. CONCLUSION

3.1 ICAO should, in collaboration with its partners and Regional Organizations, work on broadening the network of AVSEC training facilities.

3.2 Regional Bodies contribute to the progress of implementing effective and sustainable aviation security and should therefore, be empowered in order to strengthen aviation security.

3.3 ICAO should continue to provide leadership in the further development of AVSEC assistance and capacity building.