



ASSEMBLY — 38TH SESSION

PLENARY

Agenda Item 8: Statements by delegations of Member States

STATEMENT PRESENTED BY INDONESIA

(Presented by Indonesia)

Mr. President of the Council,
Mr. Secretary General,
Your Excellencies Ministers and Heads of delegation of Contracting States,
Distinguished Delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

1. First allow me to introduce myself as head of delegation of the Republic of Indonesia. My name is Evert E. Mangindaan, and I am the Minister of Transport. On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Indonesia, I would like to express our sincere appreciation to the Government of Canada, for the warm hospitality rendered to our delegation.
2. On this occasion, on behalf of the Indonesian Delegation, allow me to warmly congratulate the recently elected President of this 38th Assembly of the ICAO. We are convinced that under your leadership and wisdom, our deliberations will reach a fruitful conclusion and a successful outcome.
3. May I also take this opportunity to extend my Delegation's appreciation to the President of the ICAO Council and the Council's distinguished members, to the Secretary General and to the members of the Secretariat for their commendable efforts in so diligently preparing this important meeting.
4. Mr. President, as an archipelagic State with the world's fourth largest population of 240 million people, Indonesia regards air transportation as being a main provider of connectivity. This is true not only as regards the domestic connectivity among Indonesian cities, islands and communities, but also with respect to international air transport which connects us with people throughout the world. Indonesia has over 17,000 islands, 233 airports, and 67 registered airlines. Last year, there were more than 131 million passengers, with an average annual growth of 16 % in passenger traffic in the last 5 years. The significant growth of the civil aviation sector in Indonesia is forecast to continue in the coming years, based on growth of the Indonesian economy of 6% and an emerging middle class which can afford to travel by air. The Government of Indonesia is therefore taking the necessary steps to provide an adequate infrastructure for this fast-growing and economically and socially important sector, in particular airports, air navigation services, and an appropriate regulatory environment for airlines.

5. The Indonesian Government has also taken further steps for the improvement of aviation safety, aviation security and the environment by implementing the Civil Aviation Strategic Action Plan and strengthening compliance. The assistance provided by the ICAO Technical Cooperation Bureau as well as by the Governments of Australia, EU, USA, and Japan proved to be very effective and is much appreciated. Indonesia has completed all the corrective actions as recommended in the ICAO USOAP and ICVM reports.

6. Mr. President, at the last Assembly we reported about progress made by Indonesia to enhance the civil aviation sector, in particular the adoption of a new Civil Aviation Law, the Implementation of the safety management system for all aviation service providers, and the Implementation of a National Aviation Safety Programme.

7. This year, I am pleased to report on further progress, in particular the setting up and implementation of the Indonesia State Safety Programme as from 2011, the establishment of a Single Air Navigation Service Provider called "AirNav Indonesia" as from 2012 replacing the previous three providers, and the implementation of the Civil Aviation Strategic Plan for Indonesia which encompasses the development of the civil aviation sector as a whole, including airports and infrastructure. As regards Garuda Indonesia, our well-known international carrier, I am pleased to note that with its emphasis on operational safety and on quality of service, it received two more Skytrax Awards in 2013, namely "World's Best Economy Class" and "World's Best Economy Class Seats". This year it also ranked No. 8 in the "World's Top Ten Airlines" Skytrax ranking. Last year, it had already received two other airline awards.

8. As regards the aviation environment, an Eco Airport Master Plan has been implemented at major commercial airports of Indonesia. The environment is a high priority issue for our government. Indonesia had played an active role in drafting the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Report on Aviation and Global Atmosphere, providing comprehensive information for assessing and addressing aircraft engines emissions. Indonesia also participates actively in aviation environmental protection issues in ICAO and was appointed in 2012 by the ICAO Council as Observer on the Committee on Aviation Environmental Protection (CAEP). In 2012, it was one of the first States to develop and provide to ICAO an Action Plan on initiatives to manage the aviation impact on climate change as well as to provide annual updates on traffic data and fuel usage.

9. In March of this year, Indonesia and ICAO announced a new project aimed at improving the management and reduction of aviation carbon emissions. The large-scale Environmental Measures Project will be undertaken between the Indonesia Ministry of Transportation and ICAO's Technical Cooperation Bureau (TCB). The project reflects Indonesia's determination to meaningfully address the environmental performance of its air transport sector over the near and longer term, while implementing the Indonesian Presidential Decree on Greenhouse Gas Emissions.

10. I am pleased to announce that the Project Document for the large-scale Environmental Measures Project was signed yesterday as between Indonesia and ICAO, and will be implemented for a period of three years as from early 2014.

11. Mr. President, as a long standing and committed ICAO member State since April 1950 and as Council member from 1962 until 2001, Indonesia attaches great importance in supporting and promoting the role of ICAO as an important multilateral organization. In this regard, Indonesia will consistently support ICAO's resolutions and recommendations relating to the development of civil aviation. We also wish to support and promote the role of ICAO as a global forum for aviation regulatory matters. I am

pleased to announce that Indonesia is offering to host the ICAO Air Services Negotiation Conference, also known as ICAN, in November 2014 in Bali.

12. Mr. President, I am also pleased to announce that the Republic of Indonesia is a candidate for the upcoming Council elections in Part 3. We believe that with the largest civil aviation sector in the sub-region, high economic and civil aviation growth and the progress made with a modernized regulatory regime, Indonesia is in a position to make a significant contribution to the work of ICAO. If elected, Indonesia will spare no efforts nor resources to support the work of the Organization and carry it forward.

13. In our view, the safety and security of the global aviation system should continue to be the Organization's priority as part of the five strategic objectives of the Organization. A new, updated Global Aviation Safety Plan will be presented during this meeting, moving from a compliance-based safety system to a more proactive risk-assessment based system. We believe that this move, supported by the CMA approach, will strengthen aviation safety worldwide and we therefore fully support it. The same goes for the concept of the new Annex 19 on Safety Management Systems, which will be a milestone for safety management in aviation worldwide.

14. As regards aviation security and facilitation, the results of the successful High-level Conference on Aviation Security held in 2012 will be considered. In this regard, it is our hope that the considerable progress made on many issues by the Conference, in particular by closing some still existing aviation security loopholes, will be endorsed. At the same time, the need for smooth, speedy and non-intrusive screening should not be neglected. We believe that efforts on both sides of the equation of security and facilitation should continue, including consideration of greater use of risk-based approaches to security controls and screening. As regards Machine Readable Travel Documents, a proposal for a new strategy will be presented, under the concept of ICAO Traveller Identification Programme.

15. As regards aviation environmental protection, we are committed to participating in the worldwide efforts to achieve carbon emissions reduction, including aviation carbon emissions. We are specifically committed to the implementation of the Indonesia State Action Plan transmitted to ICAO last year. Aviation growth must be achieved without burdening further the environment. Carbon emissions reduction by 2020 and long-term by 2050 are achievable goals. It is important to ensure that civil aviation growth will be fully sustainable, and reduction of carbon as well as non-carbon emissions is an important element of such sustainable development of civil aviation.

16. We therefore seek the much valued support of all Member State delegations present at this august Assembly.

17. With this hope and praying to the Almighty God, allow me to extend our sincere wishes for the success of this Assembly.

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