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**REPORT ON ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN BY CHILE IN RELATION TO MACHINE
READABLE TRAVEL DOCUMENTS**

(Presented by Chile)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	
Reports on activities undertaken by Chile in relation to ICAO's Machine Readable Travel Documents (MRTD) Programme".	
<i>Strategic Objectives:</i>	This working paper relates to Strategic Objectives B – <i>Security</i> .
<i>Financial implications:</i>	No financial implications.
<i>References:</i>	Resolution A37-20 Appendix D

¹ English and Spanish versions provided by Chile.

1. Since 2005, Chile is an active member of the ICAO's Machine Readable Travel Documents (MRTD) programme. In this context, Chile participates in two working groups: the "Technical Advisory Group on Machine Readable Travel Documents" (TAG-MRTD) and the "Implementation and Capacity Building Working Group" (ICBWG), whose purpose is to build capacity and provide information and support to the states in their initiatives to modernize their systems of identity and travel documents. A delegation from our State annually attends the Symposia on Travel Documents that are held in Montreal, as well as some with a regional focus. Chilean professionals have participated, through presentations and articles in the MRTD Report, addressing matters such as travel documents, the Chilean Civil Registry and Identification Service, and border control. To assist in the planning and execution of the various initiatives that Chile developed in these areas, a national working group has been created, composed of representatives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Civil Registry and Identification Service (SRCEI, for its acronym in Spanish) and the investigative police of Chile (PDI –Investigative Police of Chile).

2. As part of its participation in the TAG and ICBWG, Chile has collaborated, in March this year, in the official Spanish translation of ICAO's "Guide for Assessing Security of Handling and Issuance of Travel Documents" (Summary, part 1 and part 2), which is a supporting document to the Spanish-speaking countries and is already being used in the regional seminars in America. This document is posted on the website of ICAO, and has been featured as a contribution from the Government of Chile.

3. We believe it is important to note that Chile has fully implemented the recommendations of ICAO's Programme on Travel Documents, and that as of 2 September of this year, our country has launched the new passport system and electronic identity cards, thus complying with the provisions of Document 9303. These new technologies incorporate a contactless chip containing the holder's biometric features, which brings benefits in security and control, as well as its better interoperability worldwide. In addition, Chile is currently studying the implementation of a machine readable emergency passport at the Consulates of Chile, also to comply with the relevant request of ICAO, with a view to 2015.

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