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To: States, Territories and International Organizations

Subject: **AVSEC/FAL Regional Group – First Meeting of the One Stop Security (OSS) System Working Group**
(Panama City, Panama, 17 - 20 January 2017)

Action

Required: **Your answer not later than 30 December 2016**

Sir/Madam:

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the First Meeting of the One Stop Security (OSS) Working Group of the ICAO/LACAC NAM/CAR/SAM Aviation Security and Facilitation Regional Group (AVSEC/FAL/RG), to be held in Panama City, Panama, from 17 to 20 January 2017.

During the Fifth Meeting of the ICAO/LACAC NAM/CAR/SAM Aviation Security and Facilitation Regional Group (AVSEC/FAL/RG/5), held at the ICAO South American Regional Office, in June 2015, in Lima, Peru, the need to develop procedures for the implementation of One Stop Security (OSS) system for the NAM/CAR and SAM regions was considered. Following this, a working group was formed by Brazil, Trinidad and Tobago, and Panama as the Coordinator State of this project.


In the Sixth Meeting of the ICAO/LACAC NAM/CAR/SAM Aviation Security and Facilitation Regional Group (AVSEC/FAL/RG/6), held in Mexico City, Mexico, from 6 to 10 June 2016, the need to hold a meeting of the OSS working group was discussed, intended to analyse with AVSEC subject matter experts and decision makers of the States of the region the possibility of development of the One Stop Security (OSS) system for States that comply with the standards of ICAO Annex 17 – *Security* standards, and interested parties in the implementation of this project, which would facilitate passengers transit, keeping aviation security levels in the NAM/CAR and SAM regions and strengthening interconnectivity among States.

The objective of this meeting is to continue developing this project and to analyse the procedures developed by this working group, based on ICAO's Doc "*Recognition of Equivalence of Security Measures*", to develop an implementation plan in accordance with the real needs of the States. Please find the general information of this event attached to this letter (**Attachment A**). The meeting agenda will be sent as soon as possible.

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We will appreciate the nomination of one or two representatives from your State that may support the fulfilment the objective of the meeting. Please complete the attached nomination form (**Attachment B**) and return it to this Regional Office **not later than 30 December 2016**.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of our highest consideration.



Marco Ospina
Secretary
Latin American Civil
Aviation Commission



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Melvin Cintron
Regional Director
ICAO North American, Central
American and Caribbean (NACC)
Regional Office

Enclosure:
As indicated

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ATTACHMENT A



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AVSEC/FAL Regional Group – First Meeting of the One Stop Security (OSS) System Working Group

Panama City, Panama, 17 - 20 January 2017

GENERAL INFORMATION

(Presented by the Secretariat)

1. Venue and Date

The AVSEC/FAL Regional Group – One Stop Security (OSS) working group meeting will be held in Panama City, Panama, from 17 to 21 January 2016.

2. Address

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3. Registration of participants

Participants are requested to fill in the registration form attached to this information paper and submit it to the corresponding Regional Office as soon as possible. A subsequent registration will take place at the corresponding registration desk, from 08:00 to 08:45 hrs, during the first day of the event, where the duly completed registration sheet should be handed in. Likewise, participants are requested to use the badges supplied to them during registration.

4. Opening Session

Tuesday, 17 January 2017

Registration of participants: 08:00 – 08:45

Opening session: 08:45 – 09:00

5. Documentation Link and Languages

The event will be carried out in Spanish and English, with simultaneous interpretation services. The documentation for the Meeting will be posted on the website <http://www2010.icao.int/SAM/Pages/MeetingsDocumentation.aspx?m=2017>

6. Temperature

Temperature in Panama City during the month of January varies from 23°C to 33°C. The average humidity is of 70%, overcast.

7. Transportation from/to the Airport

There are authorized taxis services at the Tocumen International Airport.

The rate is approximately 30.00 US Dollars from the airport to any area of the city.

8. Transportations to and from the Site of the Event

Participants can take a taxi from the hotel they are staying to the meeting venue, preferably the taxis that the hotel offers to their guests.

9. Suggested hotels in Panama City

Reservations should be arranged directly with the hotel preferably well in advance. Prices may vary:

Hotel	Address	Single / double room US\$	Breakfast US\$	Tax %
The Executive	Calle 52-Aquilino de la Guardia; Bella Vista. Ciudad de Panamá	Single 75.00 Double 85.00	Included	10% Hotel tax.
Wyndham Panamá Albrook Mall	Avenida Marginal- al lado del Centro Comercial Albrook Mall. Albrook-Panamá Ciudad	Single or Double 109.00	Included	10% Hotel tax
Holiday Inn	Avenida Omar Torrijos- Ciudad del Saber Clayton- Panamá Ciudad	Single 89.00 Double 99.00	Included	10% Hotel tax
El Panamá	Avenida Vía España 111 Bella Vista-Panamá Ciudad	Single 110.00 Double 120.00	Included	10% Hotel tax

10. Passport, Visa and Vaccination Requirements

To enter the country, an updated passport and visa are requested; however, it is recommended to contact Panama Embassy or Consulate in your country, to enquire on this requirement well before your departure. Please also verify if yellow-fever or any other vaccination is required.

11. Money Exchange and Credit Cards

The Panamanian currency is the Balboa (B/). Present exchange rate is B/ 1.00 per US \$ 1.00.

Credit cards as American Express, MasterCard, VISA, Diners Club, etc. are usually welcome in hotels, shopping centres and restaurants. Traveller's checks should be exchanged in banks or money exchange agencies.

12. Hospitals

In case of emergency, the following health centres are recommended:

Hospital Punta Pacífica
Boulevard Pacífica y Vía Punta Darién. Ciudad de Panamá, Panamá.
E-mail: info@hpp.com.pa
Tel: (507) 204.8000 - fax: (507) 204.8010

Centro Médico Paitilla
Ave. Balboa y Calle 53, Paitilla-San Francisco-Panamá Ciudad
Switchboard: (507) 265-8800; Urgencies: (507) 265-8888

Hospital Nacional
Avenida Cuba, entre Calle 38 & 39-Bella Vista-Panamá Ciudad.
Tel: (507) 207-8100 | (507) 306-3300
Fax: (507) 207-3334
E-mail: info@hospitalnacional.com

13. Electricity

110 and 220 Volts/60Hz.

14. Information on Safety and Protection

Upon any emergency situation, kindly call toll free to the following telephone numbers:

Assistance 24 Hours - 365 days

Telephone directory: 102
Police: 104
Tourism Police: 511-9260
Ambulance: 911; Red Cross*455
Firefighters: 103
Civil Protection National System: *335 o 316-3200
