

WORKING PAPER

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Ninth Meeting of the RLA09801 Multi-Regional Civil Aviation Assistance Programme (MCAAP) Project Steering Committee (RLA09801 PSC/9)

Martinique, France, 22 June 2022

Agenda Item 2 Review of previous PSC Reports and Agreements

FOLLOW-UP ON THE RLA09801 PSC/8 MEETING REPORT

(Presented by the Secretariat)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	
This working paper presents a review of the last PSC meeting held in 2019, as well as a follow-up to the 6 Decisions agreed in the meeting. This paper has to be considered as a complement to the discussion of item 4, Project Implementation.	
Action:	The suggested action is presented in Section 3.
Strategic Objectives:	 Safety Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency Economic Development of Air Transport Environmental Protection
References:	 Report of the Eighth Meeting of the RLA09801 Multi-Regional Civil Aviation Assistance Programme (MCAAP) Project Steering Committee (RLA09801 PSC/8), Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, 26 June 2019

1. Introduction

1.1 Since its inception, the RLA09801 MCAAP Project has proven to be an effective tool to assist States in implementing the lines of action established by the various global and regional aviation plans.

2. Revision of Previous PSC Reports and Agreements

2.1 After a period of little activity, from the end of 2017 until the beginning of 2019, the Project was resuming its activities when the pandemic began.

2.2 In the last meeting of the Project Steering Committee (PSC/9), the PSC took note that, according to the Secretariat, there were no new relevant issues pending, but to provide continuity to the development of the activities of each sub-project, for which the Secretariat requested the Committee to support the efforts of the Project Evaluation Commission (PEC).

2.3 It was decided that, the USD\$25,000 annual membership would be maintained to ensure the continuity in the awarding of scholarships, in the provision of travel assistance and in the MCAAP TEAM technical assistance missions (Decision RLA09801 PSC/8/1).

2.4 The PSC took note that the Project cycle would end in July 2020 and agreed to extend the Project, directing the PEC to prepare, in coordination with TCB, Revision D of the Project Document (PRODOC), in order to deliver it for signature by the Project Members no later than 31 July 2020 (Decisions RLA09801 PSC/8/2 and RLA09801 PSC/8/6).

2.5 In order to have a periodic renewal of the PEC and to allow the participation of other members, the PSC agreed on a new composition of the PEC consisting of the Bahamas, Canada, Cuba, the United States, the Dominican Republic, the ICAO NACC Regional Office and the ICAO Technical Cooperation Bureau (TCB). This new composition would be valid until the PSC/10 Meeting, when a proposal for a new composition would be made (Decision RLA09801 PSC/8/3) to be requested in this PSC/9 Meeting.

2.6 The PSC recognized that the participation of Project members should be greater, not only in the application of fellowships and in the acceptance of technical assistance missions, but mainly in the proposition of activities. In addition, it was recognized that this participation might be carried out through the focal points of each Project member.

2.7 Thus, the PSC agreed that each member should designate/ratify their focal point to interact directly with the Project, and that these focal points should meet once a year to provide their input and guidance to the PEC (Decision RLA09801 PSC/8/4).

2.8 Finally, the PSC approved the second edition of the MCAAP Procedural Handbook, which was revised to address several gaps and inconsistencies in the first edition (Decision RLA09801 PSC/8/5).

2.9 At the meeting, the TCB explained about the possibility for the members, individually or collectively, to make use of the Project for the acquisition of equipment and services, benefiting from the TCB's experience with a faster and more economical process.

2.10 This considered, the 6 valid Decisions from the previous PSC/8 meeting are hereby finalized.

3. Suggested Action

- 3.1 The Project Steering Committee is invited to:
 - a) review the information contained in this working paper;
 - b) support the efforts of the Project Evaluation Commission (PEC); and
 - c) take any other action, as required.

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