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**Agenda Item 5: Programmes and Projects - Facilitation (FAL)**

**ELABORATION OF A NATIONAL FACILITATION PROGRAM**

(Presented by Brazil)

<b>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY</b>	
This working paper presents the Brazilian initiative for the elaboration and approval of its National Air Transport Facilitation Program - NATFP.	
<i>Strategic Objectives:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Security &amp; Facilitation</li></ul>
<i>References:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• STD 8.17 of Annex 9 – Facilitation</li></ul>

**1. Introduction**

1.1 The national air transport facilitation program is a document that formalizes the commitments and intentions of all those involved in aviation to adopt all practicable measures to facilitate the movement of aircraft, crews, passengers, cargo, mail and supplies, removing unnecessary obstacles and delays and contributing to the development of civil aviation.

1.2 The elaboration of a National Facilitation Program therefore requires the participation of the entities responsible for activities related to air transport and the effective coordination of the elaboration, so that the concepts of Facilitation are common understanding and become effective for all involved.

**2. Brazilian National Air Transport Facilitation Program**

2.1 Brazil started the elaboration of its National Air Transport Facilitation Program - PNFTA in 2010, when, based on the model of the appendix of Annex 9, the Brazilian Civil Aviation Authority - ANAC presented in the National Facilitation Committee - CNFTA a proposal of the PNFTA. This proposal already considered the attributions of the organs and entities of the civil aviation system, and then, those participants could work on a standardized document.

2.2 The adjustments in the Program for the NATFP reached the consensus of the participating entities last until 2012, when the NATFP was proposed by the National Air Transport

Facilitation Committee – NATFC to the Presidency of the Republic, to be approved through a Presidential Decree.

2.3 Due the difficulties in approving a presidential-level document, especially one involving 11 ministries, the NATFP proposal keep a long term without be approved, and then, in 2017, the NATFC proposed that the Commission itself approved the NATFP.

2.4 This method of approval was based on 3 main points:

- the commitment of the NATFC participant´s in comply with the NATFP guidelines;
- the NATFP can be reviewed and refined on an easy way, at the NATFC level;
- benchmarking of NATFP from other countries.

2.5 Because of the work of the CNFTA, in addition to the formalization of a National Air Transport Facilitation Program in Brazil, the participants had a great advance in the knowledge of the aspects of facilitation of air transport in general and, above all, they feel more responsible for the implementation of PNFTA measures in their entities of origin.

### **3. Proposed Actions**

3.1 The Meeting is invited to:

- a) Consider the possibility that National Facilitation Programs may have a rapid approval process that allows be improved and refined when necessary;
- b) Consider that the processes of elaboration of the PNFTA allow the participation of all those involved in the civil aviation system;
- c) Consider sharing National Facilitation Programs through websites, accessible to those who need consult.