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Mr. Falisie Jozef Pinas, Minister of Transport, Communication and Tourism, Suriname

Subject: Regional Project RLA/06/901 – **PBN Airspace Planning Concept Workshop** 

(Miami, United States, 11 to 22 March 2013)

Action

required: Send confirmation of participation before 25 February 2013

Sir/Madame,

During its 37th Session, ICAO Assembly Resolution A37-11 unanimously endorsed the global PBN implementation. As follow up of this implementation process and according to SAM/IG/10 Final Report, Appendix 2C - Action Plan for the optimization of the SAM ATS route network, Activity 3.2.5 - Train airspace planners of the States of the Region, I am also pleased to inform you that ICAO, in coordination with IATA and CANSO, will be conducting a PBN Airspace Planning Concept Workshop from 11 to 15 March 2013, followed by a PBN Airspace Concept Development on-the-job training using real cases (18-22 March 2013).

Please note that these activities will provide the best practices from the PBN Manual, CCO/CDO Manuals, with the partnership of selected experts from ICAO and IATA through the PBN Go Team structure. Discussions will be conducted in English with simultaneous interpretation services into Spanish. General information and documentation will be posted on the web page at <a href="https://www.lima.icao.int">www.lima.icao.int</a>, Upcoming Meetings, PBN Airspace Planning Concept Workshop, as soon as available.

This activity consists of a gap-filling training workshop, followed by a practical exercise targeted in both the TMA and en-route domains, including State ATM/COM/NAV/SUR capabilities, as well as the traffic volume, fleet mix, equipage and traffic flows to solve real operational problems in selected airspace. The philosophy will be to apply an end-to-end approach along a significant traffic flow.

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It is expected that at the end of the two weeks, States may have defined a project with clear dates and milestones to have the new airspace structure incorporated. The concerned State(s) will be expected to continue to follow-up their project to fruition in the scope of a year, with the support of the ICAO SAM Regional Office and IATA.

Attendees should be familiar with current ATM operations management or related expertise, TMA operations, airspace design, en-route operations, aircraft performance and capabilities to work as a team. It would also be valuable if attendees bring with them their current useful airspace design tools for use during the project phase.

Participants are also expected to be suitably qualified and have successfully taken the PBN web based training so they may be able to provide PBN training in the Region. The *PBN On-line Course* will be found at <a href="https://www.icao.int/pbn">www.icao.int/pbn</a>, *Web-based training*, by the end of January, including the *ilearn* package.

I invite you to inform ICAO of the participants from your State who will be attending this important event. Participants should submit the attached registration form to this ICAO Regional Office by email (icaosam@icao.int) or fax (+511 611-8689). Mr. Celso Figueiredo, Regional Officer ATM/SAR (cfigueiredo@icao.int) and Mr. Roberto Arca, Regional Officer ATM/AIS/SAR (rarca@icao.int), are the focal points for this Workshop.

In view of the above, I present to your consideration this invitation for the *PBN Airspace Planning Concept Workshop*, which shall enable the air navigation services experts of your administration to have sufficient knowledge in PBN operations, in order to support the PBN Implementation Plan in the SAM Region.

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

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