

SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES OF THE FIRST AVIATION SECURITY AND FACILITATION SYMPOSIUM, HELD ON 27TH JUNE 2016, MALABO, EQUATORIAL GUINEA.

SESSION 1- PERFORMANCE OF AVIATION SECURITY AND FACILITATION IN AFRICA:

1. Call upon States to consent to the schedule of ICAO annual USAP –CMA audits
2. Call upon States to develop their Corrective Action Plan (CAP) within the required timelines and implement the recommendations of the audits in a timely manner;
3. Recommend that ICAO considers to avail, considers to avail some components of USAP audit results to the AFI SECFAL Plan for the purposes of analyses of States’ needs and challenges;
4. Call upon African States to increase cooperation and collaboration among themselves, including sharing information , success stories and challenges in the implementation of provisions of SARPs related to aviation security and facilitation and USAP – CMA corrective action plans, towards enhancing the desired level of performance in the region;
5. Call upon the AFI SECFAL Plan Steering Committee in collaboration with AFCAC to establish an Action Plan to implement the Windhoek 2016 Ministerial Declaration and Targets to enhance aviation security and facilitation in Africa. This mechanism should include continuous monitoring and assessment of the level and ability of African States to implement the set objectives and targets.
6. Call upon African States, Partner States, organizations and industry to coordinate their activities towards effective implementation of aviation security and facilitation requirements within the AFI SECFAL Framework.
7. Encourage all stakeholders to create increased awareness on the objectives and activities and support to AFI SCEFAL Plan

SESSION 2: AVIATION SECURITY THREAT AND RISK ASSESSMENTS – SUPPORTING AFRICAN CAPABILITY

1. Call upon States to develop and implement National Risk assessment tools ; and consider to use the ICAO Risk context statement as a reference;
2. Call upon AFCAC and ICAO, to conduct Regional Workshops on Risk Management in collaboration with IATA and other partners:
3. Call upon ICAO to update and review its guidance material to assist States in Capacity building to effectively mitigate New and Emerging threats, particularly the ones arising from Insider Threats
4. Urge States to enforce background checks on a continuous basis as one way of mitigating against insider threats
5. Encourage States to establish and implement behavioral detection and/or other forms of profiling.

SESSION 3: INITIATIVES TO ADDRESSING CHALLENGES RELATED TO AVIATION SECURITY AND FACILITATION.

1. Urge States to support the Africa Union effort to establish a continental Protocol on Free Movement of Persons and take necessary measures to remove restriction on travel and encourage issuance of visa at port of entry or arrival.
2. States to note of support offered by the AU to enhance Safety and Security in Africa and take advantage to maximize benefits of this opportunity.
3. Urge States to consider Cargo Security as a critical issue for aviation Security and Facilitation and encourage States to join or to support the Joint UNODC-WCO-ICAO Cargo Container programme (CCP)-Air and promote its expansion in the AFI region.
4. Recommend that AFI-SECFAL Plan adopts the methodology applied to Aviation Security Improvement Plan (ASIP) when implementing the AFI SECFAL Plan work programme.

SESSION 4: TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING IN AVIATION SECURITY AND FACILITATION IN THE AFI REGION

1. Request ICAO to develop further guidance material on the use of ELearning;
 2. Encourage States, Regional organizations, stakeholders and ASTC's to adopt the technique of ELearning and blended learning in AVSEC and FAL training;
 3. Request ICAO to coordinate the development of relevant training packages to address the needs identified in Facilitation and aviation security in coordination with approved Training Centers/Institutions
 4. ICAO should consider revising the charging policy to facilitate expanded access to training provided by ASTCs for the purpose of augmenting the level of attendance to training courses and participation to the TRAINAIR Plus Programme
 5. Recognize the development by ICAO of a Standardized Training Package (STP) Level- 1 on travel document examination and further call for the development of more STPs related to facilitation.
 6. Encourage States and stakeholders to take advantage of and benefit from the ACI SMART Security program.
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