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**Subject: Twenty-Sixth meeting of the AFI Satellite Network Management Committee (SNMC/26), Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, 19-23 November 2018**

*Action Required: Reply not later than 10 November 2018*

Sir /Madam,

I have the honour to invite your Administration / Organization to the Twenty-sixth Meeting of the AFI Satellite Network Management Committee (SNMC/26) which is being hosted by ASECNA and will take place in **Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso** from **19 to 23 November 2018**. The name and the location of the hosting Hotel will be specified later.

As the provisional agenda hereto attached indicates, the SNMC/26 meeting will, among other things, mainly review the follow-up actions taken by SNMC members on matters arising from the Conclusions/Decision of the SNMC/25 meeting, assess the network performance (facilities and services availability), discuss on integration and interoperability of systems through the AFISNET neighboring networks in the frame of **SP AFI/RAN Recommendation 6/19**, examine the actions conducted for AFISNET re-engineering and modernizing in line with **SP AFI/RAN Recommendation 6/18** and review the status of implementation of the APIRG relevant related Conclusions/Decisions.

In this regard, the attention of your Administration/Organization is being drawn to the need to participate actively by preparing Working Papers and providing the necessary inputs in relation to the individual Agenda items. Such inputs should include operational end-to-end circuit statistics, and updates on present network parameters and expected/future applications, status of achievement of the tasks assigned to your Organization by SNMC/25 and SNMC previous meetings with a view to facilitating the upgrading of the AFISNET performance and ensuring its smooth integration.

Within the framework of the implementation of the AFI Air Navigation Plan the status of implementation of the Conclusions and Decisions of APIRG 21<sup>th</sup> meeting and the derived requirements to be provided by the network for the implementation of ICAO Aviation System Blocks Upgrades (ASBU) components within the AFI Region will be discussed by the meeting.

In line with the provision contained in the Form of Agreement of AFISNET Management Committee, observers as facilities providers, satellite spectrum providers, Air Navigation Service Providers, Airline Associations have been invited to give information about the current technologies and their development in the future.

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The general information with the List of Hotels in Ouagadougou will be posted on the WACAF Website as soon as they are received from ASECNA. Meanwhile, be advised that Working Papers prepared by the Secretariat will be circulated in due course.

Kindly advise at your earliest convenience but not **later than 10 November 2018** through E-mail to [icaowacaf@dakar.icao.int](mailto:icaowacaf@dakar.icao.int) with copy to [amane@icao.int](mailto:amane@icao.int), whether your Administration/Organization intends to participate in the SNMC/26 Meeting, and accordingly indicate the name and designation of your delegate(s).

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

  
Mam Sait Jallow  
Regional Director

Attachment: Provisional Agenda  
Registration Form