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Subject: Twenty-Seventh Meeting of the AFI Satellite Network Management Committee (SNMC/27), Accra, Ghana, 25 - 29 November 2019

Action Required: To reply not later than 10 November 2019

Sir /Madam,

I have the honour to invite your Administration / Organization to the Twenty-Seventh Meeting of the AFI Satellite Network Management Committee (SNMC/27) which is being hosted by the Ghana Civil Aviation Authority (GCAA) and will take place at the Ghana Civil Aviation Training Academy (GATA) Conference Hall located in the vicinity of the Kotoka International Airport, Accra, Ghana from 25th to 29th November 2019. The general information with the List of Hotels in Accra is presented as **Attachment A** to this letter and posted on the WACAF (. <https://www.icao.int/WACAF>) and the SNMC (<https://afisnetsnmc.org/>) Webpages.

As the provisional agenda hereto attached indicates, the SNMC/27 meeting will, among other things, mainly review the follow-up actions taken by SNMC members on matters arising from the Conclusions/Decisions of the SNMC/26 and previous meetings, assess the network performance (facilities and services availability), discuss on integration and interoperability of systems through the AFISNET network 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**.

Within the framework of the implementation of the AFI Regional Air Navigation Plan (AFI/RANP), the Conclusions and Decisions of the recent APIRG 22th meeting and the outcome of the ITU World Radio Conference 2019 (ITU-WRC-19) and their 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 of the Form of Agreement of the AFISNET Management Committee, observers from the industry as facilities providers, satellite spectrum providers, Air Navigation Service Providers, Airline Associations, International Federation of Air Traffic Safety Electronic personnel have been invited to update participants on the current and near term evolutions and trends on satellite based communication technologies and to give information about related services operation and maintenance requirements in the future.

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Such inputs should include under the PDCF format (See **Attachment B**), 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/26 and SNMC previous meetings with a view to facilitating the upgrading of the AFISNET performance and ensuring its smooth integration. 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 2019** whether your Administration/Organization intends to participate in the SNMC/27 Meeting, and accordingly indicate the name and designation of your request delegate(s) to fill up the registration form (**Attachment C**) and send back through E-mail to ICAOWACAF@icao.int with copy to amane@icao.int.

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



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Attachments:

- A- Provisional Agenda
- B- Performance Data Collection Form (PDCF)
- C- Registration Form