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Subject: Regional Aviation Safety Plan for Africa-Indian Ocean (AFI-RASP 2026-2028 Edition) Validation Workshop, Virtual, from 19 to 23 October 2026

Actions Required:

- a) *Members of the Safety Management and Oversight Sub-Group (SMO/SG) of the AFI Aviation System Planning and implementation Group (AASPG) and Focal Points for National Aviation Safety Plans (NASPs); and other aviation stakeholders within the State, to register online at the earliest convenience, but no later than 12 October 2026;*
- b) *Participants to choose the Working Groups they intend to serve in during the breakout sessions on review of the draft AFI-RASP 2026-2028 Edition, by completing the table provided herewith as an attachment and submitting same to the ICAO Regional Office of their accreditation (ESAF/WACAF), no later than 12 October 2026.*

Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to refer to a Decision formulated by the First Meeting of the AASPG, **AASPG/1 Decision 1/24: Updates on the Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP) and the Regional Aviation Safety Plan (AFI-RASP)**, that, to align the AFI-RASP with the upcoming GASP 2026-2028 Edition, a) *The Safety Management and Oversight Sub-Group (SMO/SG) to establish a Project Team to review the AFI-RASP 2023-2025 Edition; and b) ICAO continues to provide support to States in developing or revising their National Aviation Safety Plans (NASPs) including through regional NASP Development Workshops*

In view of the above, I am pleased to inform you that the AFI-RASP/NASP Development Project Team has reviewed the AFI-RASP 2023-2025 Edition for alignment with the GASP 2026-2028 Edition and is ready for validation at a workshop.

In light of this development, I wish to invite your Administration/Organization to participate in the “Regional Aviation Safety Plan for Africa-Indian Ocean (AFI-RASP 2026-2028 Edition) Validation Workshop,” to be held virtually from 19 to 23 October 2026.

During the workshop, breakout groups will be set up to finalize the review of the various chapters and appendices of the draft AFI-RASP (to be shared with stakeholders prior to the workshop) and thereafter make a presentation on the outcomes of their discussions for consideration by a Plenary. The outcome of the workshop will be a final draft of AFI-RASP 2026-2028 Edition aligned with the Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP 2026-2028 Edition), ready for endorsement by the Programmes Review Coordination Committee (PRCC) of the AASPG and subsequent approval by the Second Meeting of the AASPG in November 2026.

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The workshop is also intended to enhance the competencies of persons involved in the development and implementation of a national aviation safety plan (NASP), in alignment with the ICAO Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP) and the regional aviation safety plan (AFI-RASP). This includes identifying national operational safety risks and organizational challenges.

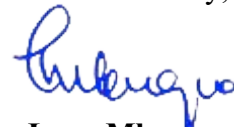
This event is focused on flight operations and safety management specialists, civil aviation safety inspectors, airline safety managers, air traffic controllers, other aviation stakeholders, and representatives from organizations involved in aircraft accident and incident investigation. The workshop will be conducted in both the English and French languages with simultaneous interpretation services.

Intending participants are invited to choose the Working Groups they intend to serve in during the breakout sessions on review of the draft AFI-RASP, by completing the table provided herewith as an attachment and submitting same to the ICAO Regional Office of their accreditation (ESAF/WACAF), not later than **12 October 2026**. A draft agenda and work programme along with other documents will be provided in both ESAF and WACAF Regional office websites.

Furthermore, intending participants are kindly requested to register online at their earliest convenience, but no later than **12 October 2026**, through the following link: <https://events.icao.int/event-details?campaignID=674383B0-5CB7-F111-814C-6045BDCD3FB8>.

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Yours sincerely,



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Attachment:

- A. - Table on Membership to the Working Groups