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**Subject:** Virtual CAPSCA Global Symposium 2022, 29 to 31 March 2022

Action required: a) plan for virtual attendance; b) disseminate this letter as requested in paragraph 5; c) register online by 28 March 2022

## Sir/Madam,

1. I have the honour to inform you that the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) will hold the Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of Public Health Events in Civil Aviation (CAPSCA) Global Symposium as a virtual event from 29 to 31 March 2022. The theme of the Symposium is "Impact of Public Health Events in Aviation — Lessons Learnt for a Resilient Future".

2. This Symposium will bring together CAPSCA Members and Partners, Civil Aviation Authorities (CAAs), Public Health Authorities (PHAs), personnel of national emergency committees, focal points of national facilitation committees and other industry stakeholders. Discussions will include the major challenges civil aviation faces during different types of public health events and the identification of lessons learned from the COVID-19 pandemic.

3. The expected outcome of the Symposium is to improve the effectiveness of prevention and management of public health risk in aviation, strengthen the CAPSCA Programme framework, build resilience for similar events in future and report the outcome to the ICAO Assembly in September 2022.

4. The Symposium will be conducted over a three-day period by means of a three-hour session every day from 0800 to 1100 hours EDT. It will be conducted in English; other languages might be available pending funding for the event. Unfortunately additional sessions could not be scheduled to accommodate different time zones of participants.

5. I encourage you to distribute this letter to any organizations in your State whose participation and involvement may be beneficial.

6. Pursuant to the above, you are kindly requested to complete the online registration on the CAPSCA website at <u>https://www.icao.int/safety/CAPSCA/Pages/Global-Events.aspx</u>, no later than **28 March 2022**. Participants are encouraged to monitor the website for evolving information concerning the event programme, registration and sponsorship opportunities. For any queries, please contact capsca@icao.int.

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

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Juan Carlos Salazar Secretary General