ICAO Action

ICAO is working in many areas to improve aviation safety. An example of such is the work of the Fatigue Risk Management Systems Task Force (FRMSTF) which aims to develop Standards and Recommended Practices and guidance material to enable operators and regulators to implement fatigue risk management systems appropriate to the type of operation being conducted. ICAO remains open to supporting an event to address related issues. In the meantime, ICAO’s safety management requirements will inevitably result in due assessment of all hazards identified, including those contained in your letter.

It should be noted that industry practices are reflected in the international Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) as contained in the Annexes to the Convention on International Civil Aviation. ICAO also produces guidance material to assist States and civil aviation administrations in implementing those SARPs. For example, provisions on checklist design, standard operating procedures, crew briefings, training and crew resource management can be found in documents such as Annex 1 — Personnel Licensing, Annex 6 — Operation of Aircraft, Procedures for Air Navigation Services — Aircraft Operations (Doc 8168) and Human Factors Training Manual (Doc 9683), to name a few. Thus, it is believed that the subjects are well addressed in ICAO documents. However, ICAO would be pleased to participate in any such conference covering these topics.