

ICAO Action

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The issues of the safety recommendations related to Underwater Locating Beacons (ULBs) and deployable recorders will be addressed by the Flight Recorder Panel (FLIRECP) during its next Working Group Meeting of the Whole (WG/WHL/3) scheduled to be held in Montreal in June 2010. Regarding the recommendation for public transport aeroplanes regularly transmitting basic flight parameters, this issue will be addressed by appropriate ICAO bodies, including the Operational Data Link Panel (OPLINKP), and the ICAO/IMO Joint Working Group on SAR later this year.

Also, please note the following recommendation (Recommendation 3/2) arising from the High-level Safety Conference held in Montreal 29 March to 1 April 2010:

- “d) ICAO should urge States to take urgent action to address safety issues arising from accidents in particular those actions which can have an immediate safety benefit at a reasonable implementation cost. One example of such action may be the increase of the ULB battery life from 30 to 90 days;
- e) ICAO should urge States, as a priority, to take all the necessary measures to utilize aircraft and ground stations available technology to enable permanent communication and surveillance over oceanic and remote areas, including modification of procedures for alerting key personnel; and
- f) ICAO should provide updated information on the above-mentioned subjects in a report to be presented at the 37th Session of the Assembly”.