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**Subject:** Joint ICAO and WFP Aviation Safety Campaign Webinar on “*Regional Cooperation during COVID-19 Crisis and Business Continuity Challenges*” (VTC, 12 August 2021, 12:00-14:30 hours Bangkok Time UTC+7)

**Action required:** Reply by 30 July 2021

Sir/Madam,

I have the honor to invite you and your representatives to participate in the Joint ICAO-WFP Aviation Safety Campaign Webinar themed, “*Regional Cooperation during COVID Crisis and Business Continuity Challenges*” which will be held through web conferencing from 12:00 to 14:30 hours Bangkok time (UTC+7/05:00-07:30 a.m. GMT) on 12 August 2021. The webinar is co-organized by the ICAO APAC Regional Office (RO) and World Food Programme (WFP) in close collaboration with other main aviation partners.

WFP co-hosted several Aviation Safety Campaigns (ASC) worldwide as part of its commitment in taking actions to reduce risk and prevent aviation accidents. The ASC Concept Note, Presentation Titles and Detailed Programme are enclosed herewith. WFP endeavors to continually improve mitigation measures against the risks that humanitarian aviation programme face while ICAO has an overarching responsibility for the safe transportation of passengers and cargo even during this unprecedented COVID Pandemic. This ASC is planned to address important issues related to:

- ICAO timely response to the COVID19 crisis and the initiatives taken to navigate the regional challenges while delivering and implementing all its strategic objectives;
- The crucial need to establish an effective communication between all stakeholders, highlighting the need to have Regional Cooperation by all stakeholders in times of crisis as a way forward for the quick restoration of air connectivity, restart and resilience;
- The impact of the pandemic on the WFP humanitarian aviation programme and how to cope with the adverse effect of its implications; and
- Addressing and highlighting some of the best practices for Business Continuity during the pandemic.

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The speakers are sourced from ICAO, IATA, DHL and Emirates Airlines to share their unique experiences on one platform providing diverse experiences of regulators and industry best practices.

At the end of the webinar, there will be a question and answer session and an open discussion, which will provide the opportunity to all associated stakeholders to engage in developing the foundation to address various mutual safety challenges and issues faced as well as embark on a gradual regional approach towards the COVID recovery/restart efforts.

It is therefore, strongly recommended that States encourage attendance of Ministry of Transport/Civil Aviation officials, Civil Aviation Authority personnel who deal with public health emergency preparedness planning, including Airport, Air Navigation Service Providers, Airline representatives, and other Stakeholders as relevant. To that end, you are kindly requested to forward this invitation to your counterparts in the related Ministry, Airlines and other concerned Agencies. Please register through the Webinar registration link provided below. Registered participants will receive the MS Teams Link to join the webinar through e-mail. Please send any inquires you have in this regard by e-mail to [APAC@icao.int](mailto:APAC@icao.int).

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

Yours sincerely,



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**Enclosures:**

- Webinar Concept Note with Provisional Agenda
- Webinar registration link please click [here](#)
- Pigeonhole QR Code: <https://www.pigeonhole.at>/Password : APACASC

