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Ref.: SN 4 (2024): AP101/24 (RD)

23 August 2024

Subject: Clarifications about the reading of the Ministerial/ Heads of Delegations Statement during the Second Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation, New Delhi, India, 11-12 September 2024

Action required: To note and take appropriate actions

Dear Sir/Madam,

Reference is made to the ICAO APAC State Letter Ref. SN 4 (2023): AP-RD0009/24 dated 27 February 2024 on the convening of the Second Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation (APACMC/2) in New Delhi, India, from 11 - 12 September 2024 and Ref.: SN 4 (2024): AP095/24 (RD) dated 8 August 2024 to note and take appropriate actions for preparations of APACMC/2.

Reference to the <u>tentative program</u> for the Second APAC Ministerial Conference. I am writing to share additional clarifications on the dedicated timeslots allocated for an 'Address by Hon. Ministers and Heads of Delegation (HoD)', also referred to as the Ministerial Statement. I write now to clarify further the protocol or guidance for this, which I suggest you share with your respective Minister/Head of Delegation Office:

- 1. Please note that a precise 5-minute slot is allocated for each Minister/Head of Delegation of ICAO APAC Member States in **alphabetical order** if they desire to make a Ministerial Statement. Please note that advance notification to the ICAO APAC Office by email to apac@icao.int is necessary, preferably before 5 September 2024, if a State wishes to avail of this speaking slot. Alternatively, a State not wishing to take the floor to make a Ministerial Statement may request the uploading of their Statement to the Conference website only. As general guidance, the Ministerial Statement may cover State challenges and progress vis-à-vis the Beijing Declaration and/or support for the civil aviation matters identified in the forthcoming draft declaration. Arrangements will be made to upload all Ministerial Statements on the Conference website after the conference.
- 2. Please note that while every effort would be made to allow for the reading of the Ministerial Statements from APAC States/Administrations, however, to accommodate the on-time conduct of the plenary session, if some APAC States/Administrations are unable to make Statements, their Ministerial Statements will be uploaded to the Ministerial Conference website.

I look forward to your participation and support for the successful conduct of the Second Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation.

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

Yours sincerely,

Tao Ma

Regional Director