
Outcome of the 14th APAC Regional Aviation Security Coordination Forum

RASCF-APAC/14

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Forum convened in Negombo, Sri Lanka

25–26 June 2026

MEETING VENUE

Goldi Sands Hotels
Negombo, Sri Lanka

Host State: Sri Lanka



Broad representation with focus discussion

65

Participants

18

States / Administrations

3

International organizations / partners

Discussion Papers

25

Information Papers

3

AGENDA ITEM 1

Governance continuity and renewed leadership secured

Adoption of Agenda; Election of Chair / Vice-Chair; and Any issues arising from RASCF-APAC/13

- 01 The agenda was formally adopted
- 02 Ms. Rusnee Mustapa, Manager, Aviation Security and Facilitation Standards Department, Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand was elected Chairperson and Mr. Taka Chow, Senior Operations Officer, Civil Aviation Department of Hong Kong, China, as Vice-Chairperson
- 03 No outstanding items remained from RASCF-APAC/13 held in 2025

AGENDA ITEM 2

ICAO work sharpens implementation focus

Updates on ICAO development works to Annex 17 – Aviation Security, Annex 9 – Facilitation, USAP-CMA, Cybersecurity, etc.

Annex 17 — Amendment 19

Enhancement on aircraft checks/searches, human factors emphasis and definitions on transfer/transit operations

Cybersecurity

First Aviation Cybersecurity Manual edition supports risk, governance, protection and resilience.

USAP-CMA

The Audit Programme latest activities and plan. Global vs APAC USAP outcomes vis-à-vis the GAsEP milestones

Facilitation

Enhance Annex 9 requirements and passenger-data initiatives to ensure seamless secured travel

AGENDA ITEM 3

New and Emerging Threats, Risks and Challenges for Aviation Security

New and Emerging Threats, Risks and Challenges for Aviation Security – (e.g. Civil Aviation Operations Over or Near Conflict Zones, Cybersecurity, etc.)

Presentations were provided by Secretariat, Australia, New Zealand, Sri Lanka, United States and ACI, stimulating discussion highlighting

Conflict zones

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NSE
Use continuous, evidence-based risk assessment and coordinated risk communication.

Regulations and Operational resilience

Strengthen national regulations and controls and modernize rules for a complex threat environment.

Incident response and Counter-UAS

Government, industry and law-enforcement partnerships reinforce coordinated response and explore practical, low-cost mitigations within national legal frameworks.

Challenges at airport level and sharing of good practices

Discussion and sharing of good practices in managing avsec implementation challenges faced at airport level.

AGENDA ITEM 4

GASeP moves from strategy to implementation

GASeP Implementation Status

01

Enhance risk awareness and response

02

Maintain a strong and effective security culture

03

Develop and promote the role of human factors

04

Improve technological resources and foster innovation

05

Improve oversight and quality assurance

06

Increase cooperation and support

Risk-based action and security culture reinforce resilience

Presentations were provided by Maldives, Sri Lanka stimulating discussion highlighting

1. Enhance risk awareness and response

Domestic operations: Application of avsec measures through national risk assessment that includes using airport tiering based on operational nature and level, security-by-design and risk frameworks in order to prioritize limited resources.

Improve cargo security: Supplementing screening with supply-chain security enhancement, training and consideration on known consignor regime.

2. Maintain a strong security culture

Continuous efforts in promoting AVSEC culture with sustained awareness and workforce engagement particularly against insider threat and implementation gaps.

AGENDA ITEM 4 — PRIORITY AREAS 3 & 4

Promote human factor and improve technological resources

Presentations were provided by AAPA, Hong Kong, China and United States stimulating discussion highlighting

3. Promote the role of human factors

AAPA's initiative: The establishment of an APAC AVSEC Task Force comprising voluntary airlines, regulators, academia and other stakeholders, led by AAPA, to evaluate human factors impacts on regional airlines avsec operations.

Outcomes will be presented to RASCF-APAC/15 in 2027 for further deliberation by the Forum

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4. Technology and innovation

Advanced secure flight-token and Digital Travel Credentials concepts across airport touchpoints.

Artificial Intelligence/ Machine Learning and synthetic imaging applications for screening and detection-algorithm training.

People, technology, training and international partnership must develop together.

Quality assurance, cooperation and support

Presentations were provided by Thailand, Viet Nam, Australia and Singapore stimulating discussion highlighting

5. Oversight and quality assurance

QCP uses risk factors to set oversight frequency and focus with scarce resources

Management of independent oversight quality control in a centralized model

6. Increase cooperation and support

Tailored strategic, operational, technical and regional forums create two-way communication and co-design between regulator and industry

Security training using local scenarios and blended delivery to build compliance and cooperation

Capacity Building Support, Regional Partnerships and Any Other Business

Presentations were provided by Secretariat, CASP-AP and Information provided by PASO stimulating discussion highlighting

Regional assistance activities

ICAO, CASP-AP and PASO continue complementary regional assistance and training support in the region

LAGs allowances beyond 100ml in cabin baggage and person

Forum concluded common practice of retaining 100ml LAG restriction in APAC despite a few States having advanced screening equipment for LAG

Avoids confusion/frustration for transfer/transit passengers

Thank You

