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**STRENGTHENING GLOBAL WILDLIFE HAZARD MANAGEMENT
THROUGH THE WORLD BIRDSTRIKE ASSOCIATION**

Presented by the World Birdstrike Association (WBA)

INFORMATION PAPER

SUMMARY

This Information Paper outlines the mission and values of the World Birdstrike Association (WBA), an ICAO-recognised international association dedicated specifically to Wildlife Hazard Management. It highlights WBA's alignment with ICAO's commitment to capacity development and the principle that No Country is Left Behind, and encourages Member States and wildlife hazard management stakeholders to join WBA and strengthen global collaboration, knowledge sharing and aviation safety.

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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The World Birdstrike Association (WBA) is an ICAO-recognised international organisation dedicated specifically to Wildlife Hazard Management (WHM). Its mission is to be a global voice and collaborative platform for national bird/wildlife strike committees, States, regulators, aerodromes, airlines, industry, researchers and other stakeholders working to reduce wildlife strike risk to aviation.

2. DISCUSSION

- 2.1 WBA's mission and values are closely aligned with ICAO's objective of strengthening aviation safety through international cooperation, capacity development and the principle that No Country is Left Behind. Effective WHM requires access to knowledge, practical guidance, training, data, experience and specialist expertise across all regions, including States with developing WHM capability.
- 2.2 WBA promotes collaboration, transparency, scientific and evidence-based practice, knowledge sharing, professional competence, environmental responsibility and continuous improvement. These values support consistent implementation of ICAO wildlife hazard management guidance and stronger integration of WHM within aerodrome safety management.
- 2.3 WBA has supported the ICAO Asia/Pacific WHM programme through technical contributions, guidance, capacity-building initiatives and participation in the AP-WHM/WG. WBA also provides an international platform through which WHM practitioners and organisations can exchange experience and good practice.
- 2.4 As an ICAO-recognised international association dedicated specifically to WHM, WBA can help connect Member States and the wider aviation community with specialist knowledge and a global network focused on reducing wildlife strike risk.
- 2.5 WBA therefore encourages ICAO Member States, aerodromes, aviation organisations, national and regional wildlife/bird strike committees, industry partners and WHM professionals to become members of WBA and contribute to a stronger, inclusive global WHM community. For membership and further information, please contact infowba@worldbirdstrike.com.

3. ACTION BY THE CONFERENCE

- 3.1 The Conference is invited to note the information contained in this Paper.

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