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Summary Report on 12th Regional AVSEC Coordination Forums (RASCF-APAC/12) 25 – 26 July 2024

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RASCF-APAC/12 OVERVIEW

- The 12th Regional Aviation Security Coordination Forum – Asia and Pacific Region (RASCF-APAC/12) was held from 25-26 July 2024 in Manila, Philippines;
- The RASCF/12 was opened by Mr. Tao Ma, Regional Director, ICAO Asia and Pacific Regional Office.
- Ms. Sally Pfeiffer, First Assistant Secretary, Department of Home Affairs of Australia and Mr. Douglas Yeo, Senior Deputy Director from the Ministry of Transport, Singapore served as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively for the Forum;



RASCF-APAC/12 - OVERVIEW

- The Forum was attended by 73 participants from 18 States/ Administrations and 5 aviation security partners (International Organization, Industry Partners and States outside the Asia Pacific Region).
- A total of 24 Discussion Papers and/or Presentations and 2 IPs were delivered to the Forum during the session.



AGENDA ITEM 1: ADOPTION of AGENDA and ISSUES FROM RASCF-APAC/11; The revised Agenda of RASCF-APAC/12 presented by the Secretariat was adopted by the Forum and there were no outstanding items arising from RASCF/11 held in 2023.

AGENDA ITEM 2: ICAO INFORMATION UPDATES, EXPERIENCE SHARING FROM STATES/ADMINISTRATIONS/INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS; The Forum was provided with a number of presentations providing updates on the ongoing AVSEC and Facilitation work of ICAO including; presentation of the new 2nd Edition of the GAsEP, updates on the work of the AVSEC and Cybersecurity Panels and updates on the USAP-CMA and ICAO's Facilitation programme.



AGENDA ITEM 2 : ICAO INFORMATION UPDATES, EXPERIENCE SHARING FROM STATES/ ADMINISTRATIONS/INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS **continued;** AAPA, IATA and Thailand presented on challenges relating to implementation of ICAO Annex 17 – *Security Standards 3.3.1 - AOSPs and Standard 3.3.2 - SSPs.*

Further presentations were provided by AAPA, ACI, Singapore and Thailand highlighting respectively;

- The issue of a shortage of skilled AVSEC screeners;
- Experience of preparing for and undergoing a USAP-CMA audit;
- The need to prioritize AVSEC screening with regard to customs and border protection priorities; and
- The importance of adopting and implementing the principles of security by design.



AGENDA ITEM 3: GAsEP and APAC ROADMAP IMPLEMENTATION

- The Forum was provided with updates and presentations relating to;
- Analysis of global and regional status in relation to GAsEP aspirational targets; and
- Individual presentations from a number of APAC and non-APAC States and Industry Partners relating to the 6 key priority outcomes of the 2nd Edition of the GAsEP:
 - 1) Enhance risk awareness and response;
 - 2) Maintain a strong and effective security culture;
 - 3) Develop and promote the role of human factors;
 - 4) Improve technological resources and foster innovation;
 - 5) Improve oversight and quality assurance; and
 - 6) Increase cooperation and support



AGENDA ITEM 4: WORKSHOP SESSION: Due to the abundance of presentations and papers there was insufficient time to conduct the proposed workshop session and this will be carried over to the next session of the RASCF.

AGENDA ITEM 5: IMPLEMENTATION, CAPACITY BUILDING SUPPORT AND REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS:

- The Secretariat provided an update on the ICAO AVSEC Implementation, Support and Development programme,
- the CASP-AP provided a presentation on the capacity building activities, new products and upcoming annual work plan July 2024 to June 2025 and
- New Zealand provided an overview of continuing assistance and capacity development work in the Pacific Region.



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