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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Agenda Item 31: Other high-level policy issues to be considered by the Executive Committee

UAE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

(Presented by United Arab Emirates)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This information paper presents key component of the UAE's civil aviation plan relating to human resource capacity building as the global growth of the aviation industry has resulted in a serious shortage of worldwide aviation expertise; demand has far exceeded supply. The information paper also highlights the great initiatives and achievements of UAE to confront the shortage of expertise in aviation industry, plan to support the developing countries and encourage the engagement of women to the aviation industry.

It is recommended that the Assembly note the UAE Annual Training Plan, as well as the UAE contribution to cover the shortage of aviation expertise support to developing countries, initiatives and achievements, especially as they relate to the empowerment and engagement of women in the aviation sector.

<i>Strategic Objectives:</i>	This working paper relates to All Strategic Objectives
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<i>Financial implications:</i>	Not applicable
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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The UAE appreciates its responsibility towards the international community and supports the development of the international civil aviation sector through cooperation. The UAE has therefore established a range of civil aviation education and training facilities that offer both specialized operational and technical training.

1.2 The UAE understands the importance in collaborating with institutions and developed a database of 130 training programs to cover several fields such as air navigation, safety and security. For the past few years, more than 300 trainees have attended these collaborative programs.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 UAE initiatives and achievements:

- a) The UAE manages the international cooperation programmes with different regions such as Arab, African, Latin America and other states;
- b) These programs are carried out in conjunction with specialized local training institutions;
- c) The partnership processes and engagement are managed through MoC, MoU, Agreements and other partnership framework;
- d) Due to the preference of some regions to hold designed programs in order to meet their requirements, the UAE offered Project Management in Aviation for the ACAC Member Countries in Morocco. Moreover, the UAE also offered 20 fellowships to AFCAC Member States and conducted onsite seminars on Dangerous Goods Regulations, Cat 6 Initial in Niamey, Niger in 2016. The participants from different countries such as Guinea, Mauritania, Niger, Sudan, Mali, Chad, Cote D'Ivoire, Tanzania, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Benin and Senegal attended the seminar. The UAE also carried out another onsite training program in Aviation Strategic Planning, which took place in Montevideo, Uruguay in 2015;
- e) The UAE is committed to enhance the empowerment of women. To promote and support women in the aviation industry, the UAE conducted internship programs for women from member states of the African Civil Aviation Commission as well as Latin American member states during the past few years;
- f) Believing in the importance of the aviation safety campaign by the World Food Programme (WFP), the UAE signed a cooperation agreement with the WFP to support the "Aviation Safety Campaign for East Africa" conference which was held in the capital of Kenya, Nairobi, in 2015. The conference witnessed the participation of many East African countries to promote aviation safety and to contribute the facilitation of the humanitarian air operations in East Africa;
- g) Also, the UAE partnered with the University of Sharjah in the UAE to develop a Masters Program in Air and Space Law. The program will be one of the unique programs and will not only focus on the civil aviation laws in the UAE but also in the Middle East, Asia and Africa as well;
- h) Exchange of expertise and visits contribute to increasing the prospects for cooperation in many fields with several member states. The UAE has also hosted experts from ACAC Member States to discuss ways to strengthen and develop the work in the aviation field and explore the updates procedures mechanisms in the aviation industry; and
- i) UAE highlighted the consolidation of relations and areas of collaboration among ACAC, AFCAC, and LACAC member States.

3. **CONCLUSION**

3.1 Considering the global nature of aviation industry UAE will continue to support international cooperation in all its forms: sharing experiences, training, project execution, joint programmes, specialized conferences and others. UAE will pursue to enhance international cooperation in civil aviation and share training expertise with ACAC, LACAC, and AFCAC Member States. Also UAE will contribute to support developing countries and empower women in the aviation industry.

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