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Agenda Item 4: Financial and human resources

FINANCIAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES

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SUMMARY

This paper outlines measures that should be taken at ICAO level with regard to financial and human resources.

Action by the HLM-ENV is in paragraph 3.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The European Community (EC) and its Member States and the other States members of the European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC) consider the final report of the Group on International Aviation and Climate Change (GIACC) and the subsequent decision adopted by ICAO Council during its 188th session as laying an important foundation for the development of ICAO's strategy to address international aviation's climate change impact. This paper proposes measures that should be taken at ICAO level with regard to certain issues addressed by the HLM in order to demonstrate that international aviation is ready to contribute effectively to the overall reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and thereby confirm ICAO's key role before the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) COP15 meeting due to take place in December 2009 in Copenhagen.

2. FINANCIAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES

2.1 Environmental protection in general and climate change policy in particular are increasingly becoming a priority for ICAO. To allow the organization to continue to play a leading role

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² Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Georgia, Iceland, Monaco, Montenegro, Norway, Republic of Moldova, San Marino, Serbia, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey and Ukraine.

and ensure the development of activities related to these issues, its budget should reflect appropriately the priority given to environmental protection.

2.2 Contracting States should be encouraged to continue their active support for ICAO's environment-related activities and to increase their voluntary contributions to ICAO's environment-related activities not foreseen in the current ICAO Programme budget. However, additional voluntary contributions should be used mainly for extra-ordinary activities. In this context, regular ICAO's environment-related activities should be financed by the ICAO Programme budget.

3. **ACTION BY THE HLM-ENV**

3.1 The HLM-ENV is invited to urge the ICAO Council to:

- a) encourage Contracting States to continue their active support for ICAO's environment-related activities and to increase their voluntary contributions to ICAO's environment-related activities not foreseen in the current ICAO Programme budget;
- b) ensure that any decision to reduce the current ICAO Programme budget does not affect ICAO's environment-related activities; and
- c) provide for the funding of all priority environment-related activities under the next ICAO Programme budget.

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