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The ICAO Daily Bulletin, issued early in the morning of each working day of the Assembly, contains a brief summary of the previous day's work of the Assembly.

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- <https://www.icao.int/Meetings/A40/Pages/default.aspx>

### Schedule of Meetings: Wednesday, 25 September 2019

First Meeting of the Executive Committee, to be immediately followed by the Third Plenary Meeting	0900 hours	Assembly Hall Conference Rooms 1 & 2, 4th floor of the Conference Centre
Second Meeting of the Executive Committee	1400 hours	Conference Room 1 4th floor of the Conference Centre
First Meeting of the Legal Commission	1400 hours	Conference Room 2 4th floor of the Conference Centre
First Meeting of the Economic Commission	1400 hours	Roberto Kobeh Chamber (Conference Room 3) 1st floor of the Conference Centre

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## Yesterday's meeting, Tuesday, 24 September 2019

### First Plenary Meeting

Following a video tribute to ICAO highlighting the 40th Session of its Assembly and its upcoming 75th Anniversary, which had been produced for the Organization by Chinese aviation innovator eHang using over 3 000 choreographed drones, the Session was officially opened by Dr. Olumuyiwa Benard Aliu, the President of the Council, as Temporary President of the Assembly, at the First Plenary Meeting held at 1100 hours on Tuesday, 24 September 2019. The Assembly was honoured by the presence of three distinguished guests, all of whom addressed the meeting: the Honourable François Legault, Premier of the Province of Québec; Ms. Valérie Plante, Mayor of Montréal; and Mr. Michael Keenan, Deputy Minister of Transport of Canada.

Recalling that the ICAO Council had established the Council President Certificates in support of the Organization's No Country Left Behind (NCLB) initiative to recognize, on an annual basis, States from each ICAO region which have made significant progress in resolving their safety and security deficiencies and improving the effective implementation of the related ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs), the President of the Council presented Council President Certificates in Aviation Safety to the following 16 selected States based on their achievements in 2018 (in alphabetical order): Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Gabon, Georgia, Ghana, Guatemala, India, Mauritania, Montenegro, Mozambique, Myanmar, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Qatar, Serbia and Congo.

The President of the Council also presented the inaugural Council President Certificates in Aviation Security to the following 17 selected States based on their achievements in 2018 (in alphabetical order): Bahrain, Croatia, Dominican Republic, Georgia, Ghana, Jamaica, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Maldives, Mauritania, Namibia, Nigeria, Qatar, Rwanda, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey and Uganda.

Thereafter the Plenary approved the Provisional Agenda as contained in A40-WP/1. It then established the Credentials, Executive and Coordinating Committees, as well as the Technical, Economic, Legal and Administrative Commissions.

The Temporary President invited the Delegations of Chile, Fiji, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Nigeria and the Russian Federation to designate one member of their delegations to sit on the Credentials Committee, which would meet immediately following the close of the First Plenary Meeting. The Credentials Committee would elect its own Chairperson and present an oral interim report to the Plenary at its Second Meeting.

The Plenary then referred the various Agenda items presented in A40-WP/1 to the Executive Committee and the Commissions as follows: Items 10 to 26 to the Executive Committee; Items 27 to 30 to the Technical Commission; Items 31 to 36 to the Economic Commission; Items 37 to 40 to the Legal Commission; and Items 41 to 52 to the Administrative Commission.

The Temporary President announced that election to the Council in the first and second parts would be held during the Fourth Plenary Meeting on Saturday, 28 September 2019, at 0900 hours. The deadline for notification of candidatures, which should be submitted in writing to the Secretary General, was set for 1215 hours on Thursday, 26 September 2019. Notifications of candidatures for election to the Council in the third part, which were receivable only after the

completion of the election in the first and second parts, should be submitted in writing to the Secretary General during the forty-eight hour period beginning at the close of the meeting on Saturday, 28 September 2019, and ending at that time on Monday, 30 September 2019. The election of the Council in the third part would take place during the Plenary Meeting on Tuesday, 1 October 2019, at 1400 hours. As recommended by the Council in A40-WP/2, the maximum number of Member States to be represented on the Council was set as follows: Part One – 11 States; Part Two – 12 States; and Part Three – 13 States.

## Second Plenary Meeting

At the Second Plenary Meeting on Tuesday, 24 September 2019 at 1500 hours, the Chairperson of the Credentials Committee, Mr. Farhad Parvaresh (Islamic Republic of Iran), presented the oral interim report of the Committee, which was composed of members from Chile, Fiji, Nigeria and the Russian Federation in addition to the Islamic Republic of Iran. He indicated that, at the time of the Committee's first meeting, original credentials in the proper form had been received from 164 Member States, while 173 Member States had delegates registered. Accordingly, with reference to Rule 28 of the Standing Rules of Procedure of the Assembly (Doc 7600), there was a majority of Member States constituting a quorum. Furthermore, original credentials in the proper form had been received from 43 observer delegations, while 46 had registered.

The Credentials Committee urged all States and organizations that had not yet presented proper credentials to do so as soon as possible. For the time being, in view of Rule 7 of the Standing Rules of Procedure, it recommended that the Assembly permit them to participate in its deliberations. The Plenary noted the oral interim report of the Credentials Committee and agreed to its recommendation. All delegates who had not yet presented proper credentials were requested to take the necessary action to do so.

Under Agenda Item 6, on the nomination of Sweden, seconded by India and the Dominican Republic, the Assembly elected by acclamation Mr. Nari Williams-Singh (Jamaica) as President of the Assembly.

As proposed by the United States and seconded by Colombia, the following nominations for the posts of Vice-President were approved by acclamation under Agenda Item 7:

First Vice-President	H.E. Salman Sabah Al-Salem Al-Hamoud Al-Sabah (Kuwait)
Second Vice-President	Ms. Poppy Khoza (South Africa)
Third Vice-President	Mr. Levan Karanadze (Georgia)
Fourth Vice-President	Ms. Soo Jeong (Crystal) Kim (Republic of Korea)

In addition, as proposed by the Nigeria and seconded by Jordan, the Assembly approved by acclamation the following nominations for Chairpersons of Commissions:

Technical Commission	Mr. Simon Allotey (Ghana)
Economic Commission	Mr. Marc Rioux (Canada)

Legal Commission Mr. Abdul Kadir Jailani (Indonesia)

Administrative Commission Mr. Mark Rodmell (United Kingdom)

The remainder of the meeting was devoted to Agenda Item 8 and general statements delivered by the Delegations of: China, Finland, Mexico, Spain, Qatar, Sweden, Senegal, France, Cameroon, Italy, Ukraine, India and Peru. A statement was also made by the observer from the European Union.

It was highlighted that through the generosity of Brazil, Portuguese interpretation services were being provided during the Assembly.

## ICAO – SKYTALKS

SKYTALKS are held in the workshop area, 4th floor foyer (room 4.15.72).

For the detailed schedule of SkyTalks during A40, please consult the following page:

<https://www.icao.int/A40-SkyTalks-schedule>

## Announcements

## 1. Seating Arrangements

1.1 Seating arrangements for the Plenary meetings are based on the number of participating Member States, the size of their registered and accredited delegations (confirmed by 31 August 2019, as per the State Letter SA 40/1 – 19/24) and the capacity of the Assembly Hall.

## 2. Operation of Credentials/Registration Centre

2.1 Please note that the Credentials/Registration Centre will be open today from 0830 to 1700 hours.

### 3. Early Departure of Delegation

3.1 Early departure of an entire delegation should be notified in writing to the Secretary General. Such notification may be deposited at the Document Distribution counter on the 4th floor of the Conference Centre, in front of the escalators.

#### **4. Interpretation Satisfaction Survey**

4.1 ICAO is fully committed to multilingualism, giving all Member States a fair and equal opportunity to participate in discussions and to use publications and documentation in all six official languages of the Organization. To help improve our interpretation services, please let us know how we are doing. It's simple: just click on the link [Interpretation Satisfaction Survey](#), fill out the brief survey and submit.

#### **5. Treaty Event**

5.1 The first day of the inaugural ICAO Treaty Event took place on 24 September 2019. Instruments of ratification were deposited by the following States:

- Republic of Congo for the Beijing Convention of 2010;
- The Gabonese Republic for the Beijing Convention and Protocol of 2010 and the 2016 Protocols amending Articles 50 (a) and 56 of the Chicago Convention; and
- Burkina Faso for the Beijing Convention and Protocol of 2010.

#### **6. ICAO is a smoke-free environment**

6.1 Smoking is permitted in designated areas. Please refer to signboards.

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