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PROPOSAL FOR ICAO LEGAL SEMINAR IN 2027

(Presented by the Republic of Korea)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	
This paper outlines a proposal of the Republic of Korea (ROK) to convene a legal seminar in either Seoul or another major city in the ROK in 2027, with the joint sponsorship of ICAO.	
Action: The Assembly is invited to note the proposal in this paper and support the seminar.	
<i>Strategic Goals:</i>	This working paper relates to Support Implementation Strategies – Legal and External Relations Service.
<i>Financial implications:</i>	N/A
<i>References:</i>	C-WP/15639 C-DEC 233/6 Doc 7669, <i>Legal Committee, Constitution, Procedure for Approval of Draft Conventions, Rules of Procedure</i>

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 With respect to paragraph 3 and 4 of A42-WP/9-LE/2 under Agenda Item 28, titled *Work Programme of the Organization in the Legal Field*, The Republic of Korea (ROK) is willing to continue its contribution to the ICAO work programme in the Legal field by holding a legal seminar in 2027.

1.2 Considering the importance of legal seminars for training and informing civil aviation officials and industry executives in regard to legal developments in the aviation field, the ROK proposes to convene a legal seminar, with the joint sponsorship of ICAO, under the theme “Developments in Air Law, Aviation Safety and Security” either in Seoul or another major city in the ROK in 2027

2. ICAO LEGAL SEMINAR IN 2027

2.1 States to which the ICAO is accredited will be invited to the proposed legal seminar.

2.2 The proposed legal seminar will discuss the following subjects;

- a) Legal framework for cooperative measures to deal with threats in civil aviation; and
- b) Legal matters of interest to the aviation community.

2.3 Details of the programme and budget of the legal seminar in 2027 shall be decided through consultations amongst potential members of an organizing committee, which shall consist of representatives from ICAO’s Legal Affairs and External Relations Bureau (LEB), the ROK government authorities and related organizations.

3. INTERNATIONAL AVIATION COOPERATION

3.1 The ROK has successfully organized and hosted a number of international seminars and conferences in the aviation arena including:

- a) eight Conferences on International Air Transport Cooperation (CIAT) since 2004 to 2025;
- b) seven ICAO Legal Seminars in 2006, 2009, 2012, 2015, 2018, 2022, and 2024;
- c) four APAC DGCA Conference in 1968, 1980, 2001, 2022; and
- d) ICAO GISS in 2023.

3.2 ROK will fulfil the responsibility of a Member State hosting a legal seminar and will make every effort to hold a successful and fruitful seminar in which participating Member States can exchange views on legal issues in the international aviation community.

4. **FUTURE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED LEGAL SEMINAR**

4.1 The proposed seminar is expected to strengthen the development of a cooperative legal framework for aviation safety and security in ICAO.

4.2 The proposed seminar will contribute to the settlement of differences in dealing with legal issues amongst the ICAO Member States.

4.3 The proposed seminar will serve as an excellent opportunity to promote the ratification of air law treaties and instruments to all ICAO member States.

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