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To: States, Territories and International Organizations

Subject: **Save the date – Workshop on the new Obstacle Limitation Surfaces**
(Mexico City, Mexico from 17 to 18 August 2026)
and
Fourth Meeting of the North America, Central America and Caribbean Working Group (NACC/WG) Aerodromes and Ground Aid (AGA) Implementation Task Force Meeting (NACC/WG/AGA/TF/4)
(Mexico City, Mexico from 19 to 21 August 2026)

Action

Required: **To save the date and register by 5 August 2026**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to invite your Administration/Organization to save the date to participate in the Fourth Meeting of the North America, Central America and Caribbean Working Group (NACC/WG) Aerodromes and Ground Aid (AGA) Implementation Task Force Meeting (NACC/WG/AGA/TF/4), from 19 to 21 August 2026 to be held in the NACC Regional Office, Mexico City, Mexico. The NACC/WG/AGA/TF/4 Meeting will be preceded by the Workshop on the new Obstacle Limitation Surfaces to be convened from 17 to 18 August 2026.

The objective of the workshop is to provide participants with a closer look and tools to analyse the implementation of the changes introduced by amendment 18 to ICAO Annex 14 Vol. I, which includes a set (or sets) of surfaces with clear purposes and characteristics ensuring that only the surfaces required are adopted, and that they are performance-based and are adaptable to the type of operations conducted at the aerodrome.

The NACC/WG/AGA/TF/4 Meeting, in turn, will discuss and analyse the challenges in the Aerodromes and Ground Aids field aimed at increasing safety and improving capacity and efficiency, in order to prioritize and promote synergy in projects and activities conducted by States and international organizations in the region. The Task Force (TF) will seek to implement the activities proposed by the TF Rapporteurs' Meeting, primarily those relating to long-term plans, the new Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP) and the Global Air Navigation Plan (GANP), and the work with the CAR/SAM Regional Planning and Implementation Group (GREPECAS), the NACC/WG, etc., covering regional priority issues such as aerodrome certification, safety, emergency plans, etc.

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AGA focal points and AGA safety oversight personnel from the Civil Aviation Authorities (CAA) of States and Territories of the ICAO NAM/CAR Regions and representatives of invited international organizations are expected to attend. The working languages of the events will be English and Spanish, and simultaneous interpretation will be provided if sufficient participants of both languages provide timely registration.

Please take note there will be a previous virtual phase in support of the face-to-face meeting, that will take place in Microsoft TEAMS platform and will help to take better use of time in Mexico City.

Regarding the Virtual Phase, I request that you designate at least two focal points from your State or International Organization, by **30 April 2026**. These representatives should have adequate expertise in the AGA, being designated as the State AGA focal point or act as a State/International Organization coordinator, to analyse with AGA counterparts and/or provide feedback on the meeting documentation.


Instructions related to this virtual phase, agenda and general information of the events will be sent in the invitation letter.

Consequently, please facilitate the following information of your nominated focal points: name, position, and email (preferably both, institutional email and an additional email) to nacc-aga@icao.int

Regarding the face-to-face session and the Workshop, I will appreciate confirmation of your participation by **5 August 2026** by registering in the following link: [Registration Form NACC/WG/AGA/TF/4 – Fill out form](#)

If you require any further information regarding the event, please contact Mr. Fabio Salvatierra, Regional Officer, Aerodrome and Ground Aids or his Assistant Mr. Alejandro Macías, to the following e-mail: nacc-aga@icao.int.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.


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Caribbean (NACC) Regional Office