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**P/4 Agenda Item 5**

**Aviation Security (AVSEC) and Facilitation (FAL)**

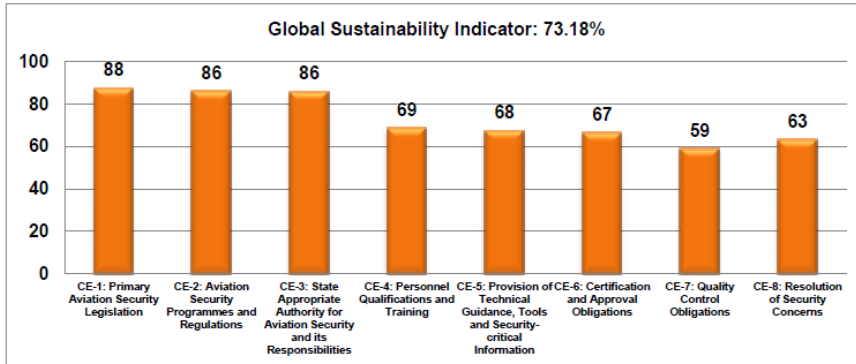
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# Aviation Security and Facilitation Activities in the NAM/CAR Regions

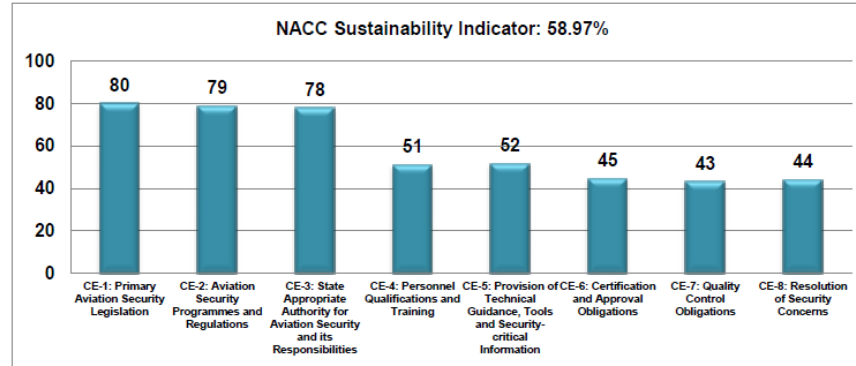
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# USAP-CMA Audit Results in the NACC States

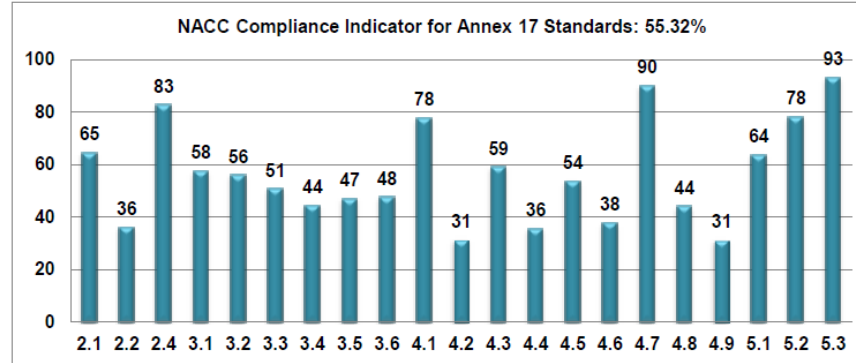
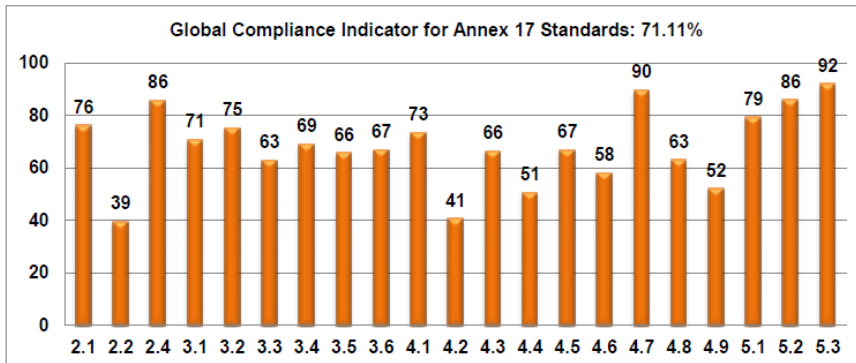
Global Indicators



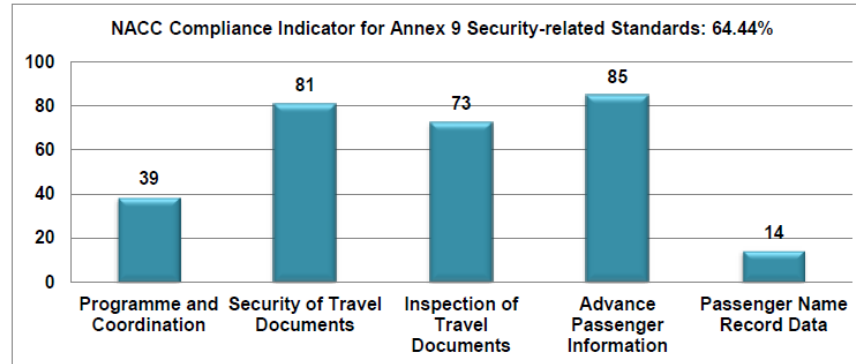
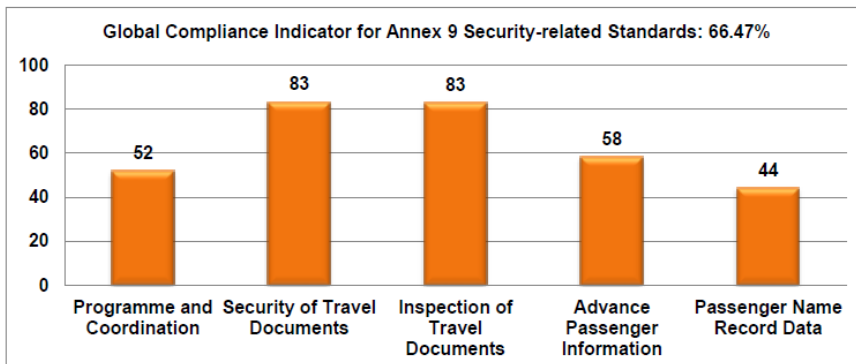
NACC Indicators



- USAP-CMA results remain the main regional indicator to assess AVSEC oversight implementation.



- 2025 results show that the NACC Region still requires progress in several Critical Elements.



- Recent audits conducted in 2025 and early 2026 show a positive trend.

- NACC results are progressively moving closer to global levels.

# Aviation Security and Facilitation Training

- ❑ 35 ASTCs worldwide
- ❑ 3 ASTCs in NACC
- ❑ ~450 ICAO instructors
- ❑ ~50 instructors in NACC States
- Training is delivered through **standardized ICAO material**, supported by ISD-SEC and coordinated with Regional Offices.
- Training activities are coordinated mainly through ICAO ISD-SEC.
- Activities may be delivered **directly in States or through the ICAO ASTC network**.
- Course subjects are selected based on **regional needs and priorities**, in coordination with ISD-SEC, the ICAO NACC Regional Office and the Directors of each training centre.

**Black: Aviation Security Training**

**Red: Facilitation Training**

**Green: General training relevant to AVSEC/FAL Technical Staff**



ASTP, AVSEC y FAL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Basic Security Course</li> <li>- AVSEC National Instructors</li> <li>- AVSEC Supervisors</li> <li>- Air cargo and air mail security</li> <li>- AVSEC National Inspectors</li> <li>- AVSEC Managers</li> <li>- Behaviour Detection</li> <li>- <b>ICAO Annex 9 – Facilitation</b></li> <li>- <b>Course on the strategy of the ICAO Traveller Identification Programme (TRIP)</b></li> <li>- <b>ICAO SARPs Compliance Management (MCIS) Course</b></li> </ul>
AVSEC Workshops
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Security Culture Workshop (SCW)</li> <li>- Airport Security Program (ASP) Workshop</li> <li>- National Civil Aviation Security Program (NCASP) Workshop</li> <li>- National Civil Aviation Security Quality Assurance Program (NCASQCP) Workshop</li> <li>- National Aviation Security Certification Workshop</li> <li>- National Civil Aviation Security Training Program (NCASTP) Workshop</li> <li>- Risk Management Workshop (RMW)</li> <li>- Crisis Management Workshop (CMW)</li> <li>- Internal Risk Workshop (IRW)</li> </ul>
AVSEC and FAL virtual Courses and Workshops
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Air cargo and air mail security</li> <li>- AVSEC Supervisors</li> <li>- AVSEC Managers</li> <li>- Security Culture Workshop (SCW)</li> <li>- Risk Management Workshop (RMW)</li> <li>- Crisis Management Workshop (CMW)</li> <li>- <b>ICAO Annex 9 – Facilitation</b></li> <li>- <b>ICAO SARPs Compliance Management (MCIS) Course</b></li> </ul>
Interactive Packs (no instructor)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Security Culture Fundamentals (free)</li> </ul>

# NACC Aviation Security Training Centres (ASTC) Activities

ASTC Name	Training activities conducted in 2025 and conducted in 2026
Port of Spain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- National Civil Aviation Security Quality Control Programme (NCASQCP) Workshop (28 April - 2 May 2025) (EN)</li><li>- Air Cargo and Mail Security Course (6-10 October 2025) (EN)</li><li>- Aviation Security National Inspectors Course (20-28 April 2026) (EN)</li></ul>
Santo Domingo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- AVSEC Managers Course (3-11 July 2025) (ES)</li><li>- Behaviour Detection Course (17-21 November 2025) (EN)</li><li>- Risk Management Workshop (RMW) (20-24 July 2026) (ES)</li></ul>
Mexico City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Insider Risk Workshop (12-16 May 2025) (ES)</li><li>- Behaviour Detection Course (20-24 October 2025) (EN)</li><li>- Air Cargo and Mail Security Course (25-29 May 2026) (ES)</li></ul>



# AVSEC Activities Carried Out in the NAM/CAR Regions

## Direct technical assistance

- 8 NACC States supported from Jan 2025 to May 2026
- Spanish-speaking States: Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua
- English-speaking States: Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Barbados, Antigua and Barbuda, Grenada, Dominica
- Focus: risk assessments, HR studies, ASPs and national AVSEC programmes

## Regional training and workshops

- Cybersecurity and Conflict Zones Seminar — Dominican Republic
- AVSEC Inspection Equipment and Technology Workshop — Trinidad and Tobago
- Explosive Detection Dogs Workshop — Mexico

## Special projects and coordination

- Cybersecurity methodology piloted with T&T CAA and COCESNA
- Panama OSS concern resolved after corrective measures and ICAO follow-up



# FAL Activities Carried Out in the NAM/CAR Regions

## State-specific capacity-building

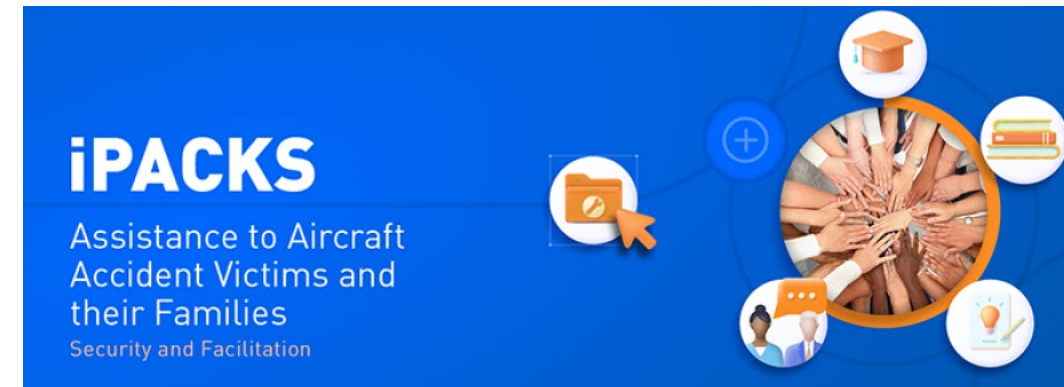
- ICAO Facilitation Course for AFAC Mexico
- AAVF iPack for Aruba and Curaçao, funded by the Netherlands

## Regional FAL training

- TRIP Strategy Course — Mexico City
- PKD Workshop — Buenos Aires, for NACC and SAM States

## Travel document modernization

- CDI projects supporting Mexico, the Dominican Republic and Guatemala



## CAPSCA Americas

- Relunched in 2024 for NACC and SAM
- CAPSCA/09 held in Brasilia in August 2025
- Focus: public health preparedness, passenger tracing and ICAO–PAHO/WHO coordination



# ICAO/LACAC NAM/CAR and SAM AVSEC/FAL Regional Group



AVSEC/FAL/RG/13: Antigua and Barbuda, 4–6 June 2025



- Regional forum for NACC and SAM States and Territories.
- Promotes implementation of Annex 17 and Annex 9 SARPs.
- Strengthens ICAO–LACAC coordination and avoids duplication.
- Reviews AVSEC/FAL priorities, work programme and ICAO Panel outcomes.
- Supports recommendations, guidance material and exchange of good practices.
- **AVSEC/FAL/RG/14: Panama, 24–26 June 2026**

# Upcoming AVSEC and FAL Initiatives

**Air Cargo and Mail Workshop**

22-23 June 2026, Residence Inn by Marriot Panama

**AGENDA**

22 June / 22 de junio 2026	
Time	English
8:30 – 9:00	Registration
9:00 – 9:30	Opening Session
9:30 – 10:30	M1: Cargo and Mail in Context
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:00	M2: The Secure Supply Chain
12:00 – 13:00	M3: Facility and Personnel Training
13:00 – 13:45	Lunch
13:45 – 14:45	M4: Screening
14:45 – 15:00	Coffee Break
15:00 – 16:00	Discussion: Emerging Threats to Air Cargo and Mail

23 June / 23 de junio 2026	
Time	English
9:00 – 10:00	M5: Chain of Custody
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee Break
10:30 – 11:30	M6: Oversight and Compliance
11:30 – 13:00	M7: Security of Mail
13:00 – 13:45	Lunch
13:45 – 14:45	Practical Assignment
14:45 – 15:00	Coffee Break
15:00 – 15:30	Workshop Closing

**Seminar on Assistance to Aircraft Accident Victims and Their Families (AAAVF)**  
Mexico City, 19-21 October 2026

**DAY 1 - LEGAL FRAMEWORK, LIABILITY & COMPENSATION**

9:00 – 9:30	<b>Welcome and opening</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Opening remarks by ICAO / Donor State</li> <li>Overview of seminar objectives and expected outcomes</li> </ul>
<b>Session I: Global Policy and Legal Obligations</b>	
9:30 – 9:45	<b>Introductory remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of ICAO policy on assistance to victims (Doc 9998)</li> <li>Key principles: dignity, timely support, and coordinated response</li> <li>Obligations under Annex 9 (Facilitation) and Annex 13</li> </ul>
9:45 – 10:45	<b>Panel: Legal framework and State responsibilities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ICAO Resolution A42-15 requirements and implementation</li> <li>State responsibilities:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State of Occurrence</li> <li>State of Registry</li> <li>State of Operator</li> </ul> </li> <li>Requirement to establish Family Assistance Plans (FAPs)</li> <li>Harmonization of national legislation with ICAO provisions</li> </ul>
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 12:30	<b>Panel continued: Liability, compensation and insurance (Q&amp;A discussion)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Montreal Convention (1999):                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two-tier liability system</li> <li>Strict liability vs fault-based liability</li> </ul> </li> <li>Advance payments in compensation processes</li> <li>Role of insurers in compensation processes</li> <li>Legal challenges in multinational accidents</li> </ul>
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
<b>Session II: National Legal Frameworks and Implementation</b>	
13:30 – 15:00	<b>Workshop: National legal gap assessment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Montreal Convention (1999):                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two-tier liability system</li> <li>Strict liability vs fault-based liability</li> </ul> </li> <li>Assess national legislation against ICAO requirements</li> <li>Identify gaps in:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family Assistance Plans legislation</li> <li>Compensation frameworks</li> <li>Victim rights and support mechanisms</li> </ul> </li> <li>Review alignment with:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annex 9-13 provisions</li> <li>Montreal Convention obligations</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## Confirmed activities

- Air Cargo and Mail Security Workshop — Panama, June 2026
- AAAVF Regional Workshop — Mexico City, October 2026
- NASTP Workshop — dates/location TBC



## Implementation Support Platform (ISP)

## Pending funding through ISG Platform

- Emergency Plans for NAM/CAR
- AVSEC Oversight Capacity in the Caribbean
- AVSEC Awareness Course in video format
- CAPSCA Technical Assistance Visits

# 37<sup>th</sup> Meeting Aviation Security Panel (AVSECP) 13 to 17 April 2026

AVSECP/37 confirmed a shift toward risk-based, technology-aware and better coordinated aviation security implementation.



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AVSEC/37  
13-17 April, 2026  
MONTREAL



- Evolving risk context: IIDs, UAS, cybersecurity and conflict zones.
- Updated approach to SSeC definition and validation mechanism.
- Annex 17 review: transfer/transit definitions and SSP clarification.
- Continued work on OSS, Doc 10084 and conflict-zone risk management.
- Strong focus on counter-UAS guidance and aviation security technology.
- ASTC network maintained; AVSEC training to expand through targeted cooperation.
- HLCAS/3 preparation: technology, USAP-CMA evolution, GAsEP and cybersecurity.

# 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting Facilitation Panel (FALP) 20 to 24 April 2026

FALP/14 advanced a more harmonized, risk-based and digitally enabled facilitation framework.



- Digital Travel Authorization (DTA) endorsed under Annex 9.
- Stronger link between API, iAPI and travel authorization systems.
- Measures to reduce non-standard passenger data requirements.
- Further work on inadmissible passengers (INADs).
- Crew facilitation improved: passport + crew ID may be accepted as CMC equivalent.
- Continued focus on TRIP, PKD, API/PNR and digital border processes.

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# Thank You

