

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

FIFTH MEETING OF DIRECTORS GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION (DGCA/5) OF ESAF AND WACAF STATES (Dakar, Senegal - 4 November 2013)

EXPLANATORY NOTES ON THE AGENDA

(Presented by the Secretariat)

AGENDA ITEM 1: ADOPTION OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Under this Agenda Item, the meeting will review and adopt, as appropriate, the provisional agenda.

AGENDA ITEM 2: FOLLOW-UP ON CONCLUSIONS OF DGCA/4 MEETING

Under this Agenda Item, the meeting will review follow-up actions taken by States and others concerned stakeholders on action items arising from the DGCA/4 meeting. (The States are expected to provide follow-up actions every 6 months after the meeting).

AGENDA ITEM 3: AVIATION SAFETY

3.1 Conclusions/Decisions of APIRG/19 and RASG-AFI/2

Under this Agenda Item, the meeting will review and adopt, as appropriate, the Conclusions and Recommendations of APIRG/19 and RASG-AFI/2 meetings.

3.2 USOAP Continuous Monitoring Approach Online Framework

Under this Agenda Item, the meeting will be provided with an overview of the CMA Online Framework, a suite of web-based integrated application systems including the Electronic System of Filing of Differences with the ICAO SARPs.

3.3 Implementation of ICAO AOC Database

Under this Agenda Item, the meeting will be updated on the establishment of an International Register of Air Operator Certificates (AOCs) and associated Operations Specifications (OpsSpecs) as a means of providing transparency to Contracting States of the validity and currency of AOCs as well as the compliance integrity of the relevant oversight authority.

3.4 Commitment of States to implement GANP and Twelfth AN Conference Plan - ICAO Aviation System Block Upgrade (ASBU) Methodology.

Under this Agenda Item, participants will define a process for a firm commitment by their administrations to implement GANP and the Recommendations from the Twelfth Air Navigation Conference with emphasis on the ICAO Aviation System Block Upgrade (ASBU) Methodology.

AGENDA ITEM 4: AIR TRANSPORT ISSUES

4.1 Results of the Sixth Worldwide Air Transport Conference

Under this Agenda Item, the meeting will review the Conclusions and Recommendations of ATConf/6 and propose appropriate actions for their full implementation.

4.2 Status of African Air Transport Liberalization, Impediments of its Development

Under this Agenda Item, ECOWAS will present the "Common Rules on conditions of Access to Air Transport Markets in ECOWAS Member States".

4.3 Environment - Implementation of State Action Plan to reduce CO2 emissions.

Under this Agenda Item, the meeting will review initiatives undertaken by African States to reduce aviation CO^2 emissions in particular the State Action Plans as recommended by ICAO.

AGENDA ITEM 5: AVIATION SECURITY

5.1 Status of MRTD Implementation

Under this Agenda Item, the meeting will be briefed on the latest developments concerning the implementation of the Standard 3.10 of Annex 9 – Facilitation requiring Contracting States to only issue, as of 1 April 2010, Machine Readable Passports in accordance with the specifications of Doc 9303, Part 1.

5.2 ICAO AVSEC Assistance Programme

The meeting will be briefed on ICAO assistance and capacity building programmes following recommendations from the various security meetings including the Regional Ministerial Conference, Abuja, Nigeria, April 2010, the 37th Session of the ICAO Assembly, October 2010: Declaration on Aviation Security, the Regional Aviation Security Conference - Africa, Dakar, Senegal, October 2011, and the High Level Aviation Security Conference, Montreal, Canada, September 2012. Details on implementation of these programmes in Africa will also be shared with the meeting.

5.3 AVSEC International Treaties (Beijing)

Referring to the Resolution A37-23 of the ICAO General Assembly, and to the Conclusions of DGCA/4, African States will be encouraged to sign, ratify and incorporate the provisions of the Beijing International Treaties into their national legislation.

AGENDA ITEM 6: TECHNICAL COOPERATION ACTIVITIES

Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of Public Health Events in Civil Aviation (CAPSCA).

Under this Agenda Item, the meeting will be briefed on the latest development concerning the ICAO Programme "Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of Public Health Events in Civil Aviation (CAPSCA)". Particular emphasis will be put on the full support to be provided by African States to this important programme which is now included in the ICAO USOAP audit protocol questionnaire.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Other Matters

The meeting will consider any other matter which has not been addressed in the above Agenda Items.

7.2 Host and dates for the next meeting.

Under this Agenda Item, DGCA will decide on the date and venue of its next meeting.