

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

SIXTH MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS GENERAL OF AFRICA AND THE INDIAN OCEAN REGION (AFI DGCA/6)

Brazzaville, Congo (2 – 4 November, 2016)

Agenda Item 7.2: Action Plans to reduce CO2 emissions

STATUS OF DEVELOPMENT OF STATES' ACTION PLANS ON CO2 EMISSIONS REDUCTION FROM INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION.

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper provides a status report on the development of States' action plans on CO₂ emissions reduction from International civil aviation in the AFI region, and encourages States with already developed action plans to assist the remaining AFI States to develop their plans.

REFERENCE(S): ICAO resolution A38-18 and A37-19

Related ICAO Strategic Objective(s): 5 – Environmental protection.

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 In 2010, ICAO Assembly Resolution A37-19 encouraged States to submit to ICAO, Action Plans on CO₂ emissions reduction from International Civil aviation, outlining their respective policies and actions, and annual reporting on CO₂ emissions. Furthermore, in 2013, Assembly Resolution A38-18 encouraged States to submit their plans to ICAO by the end of June 2015 and update those submitted in 2012. A38-18 further encourages States to make their action plans available to the public to support those States that have not yet prepared their action plans.
- 1.2 ICAO has also introduced 'ICAO Buddy programme' which encourages States that submitted their action plans to build partnerships with other member States that did not. Sample letter is attached as an Appendix to this paper.
- 1.3 By end of June 2016, only 6 ESAF and 13 WACAF in the AFI region, including 12 States covered by the ICAO-EU Assistant Project, had submitted their action plans. These figures include those States that submitted their plans in 2012 and are yet to update them.
- 1.2 In this regard, this paper is proposing actions, including buddy programme, to assist the remaining (AFI States to develop and submit their action plans.

2. DISCUSSIONS

- 2.1 In accordance with the above mentioned Resolutions, ICAO and AFCAC conducted a number of training workshops for the development of States' Action Plans on CO₂ emissions activities in the AFI region, including workshops in Nairobi (4-6 July 2011), Dakar (24-26 September 2012), Yaoundé (11-13 June 2014) and Nairobi (18-19 June 2014) to provide the AFI region with information and tools required to develop their action plans. Further to these regional trainings, four WACAF States (**The Gambia, Ghana, Nigeria and Togo**) developed and submitted their action plans to ICAO.
- 2.2 In addition, ICAO and the European Union developed a joint assistant project to assist 12 States in the AFI region including **Angola**, **Burkina Faso**, **Burundi**, **Cameroon**, **Central African Republic**, **Chad**, **Congo**, **DRC**, **Equatorial Guinea**, **Gabon**, **Kenya and Sao Tomé and Principe**. The Assistant project which was launched in February 2015, assisted the above mentioned 12 States in capacity building for the development of States action plans which were submitted to ICAO early this year.
- 2.3 To assist the remaining AFI States) to develop their action Plans a project proposal was formulated for funding consideration by AFI Plan.
- 2.4 In view of the experience gained by the above mentioned 16 AFI States in developing their Action plans, and the proposed project mentioned above, it is suggested to use the trained human resource available in these States to implement the propose project with the contribution of the remaining States which have not yet developed their plans. In this regard, the meeting may wish to formulate the following recommendation:

Recommendation 6/XX: Development of States Action Plans on CO₂ emissions reduction from International civil aviation in the AFI region

That AFI States that

- 1. have not yet developed and submitted their Action Plans on CO₂ emissions reduction from International civil aviation, provide a contribution to the AFI Assistance Project; and
- 2. have already submitted their plans assist the remaining States though the AFI/WACAF Assistance Project for the development of their Action plans by providing human resource capabilities.
- 3. have developed and submitted their action plans to ICAO, form partnership through signing agreement with those that have not to facilitate tailored assistance.
- 4. Submitted their actions plans in 2012 to update them.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to:
 - a) note the information in this paper; and
 - b) decide on the draft recommendation proposed for the Meeting's consideration.

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