



## COUNCIL — 221ST SESSION

### SIXTH MEETING

(VIRTUAL MEETING ON FRIDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 2020, AT 1000 HOURS)

### SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

#### OPEN MEETING

#### **Accident involving Ukraine International Airlines flight PS 752 on 8 January 2020**

1. The Council considered this item on the basis of an oral report, which was presented by the President of the Council. In addition, the Council also had the benefit of the presence during the discussion by His Excellency, Mr. Marc Garneau, Minister of Transportation of Canada, who delivered a statement on this item.
2. Following consideration, the Council:
  - a) welcomed the presence at this meeting of His Excellency, the Hon. Marc Garneau, Minister of Transportation of Canada and expressed its deep appreciation for the initiative to host a Safer Skies Forum from 8 to 9 December 2020, which was recognised as representing an invaluable opportunity in bringing together representatives of Member States, international organizations and the aviation sector to advance collaborative efforts within the context of the “Safer Skies” initiative;
  - b) took note of the contents of the letter from the Association of Families of Flight PS752 Victims to the President of the Council, dated 5 October 2020;
  - c) recalled the decision taken by the Council during the 219th Session in which it had expressed its deepest condolences to the families of the victims (C-DEC 219/5 refers);
  - d) concurred with the proposal of the President of the Council to reply to the Association of Families of Flight PS752 Victims, in accordance with the terms outlined in his oral report;
  - e) reiterated the need for the investigation into the downing of PS752 to be finalized and for the report to be made available as soon as possible in compliance with the provisions of Annex 13 – *Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigation*; and
  - f) requested that a news release be issued in order to inform the public as well as relevant parities of the decision taken by the Council on this item.

### **Update on the work on the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation**

3. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15109, which presented an update of the work undertaken in relation to the implementation of the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA), as well as the developments regarding the CORSIA Central Registry (CCR) and information on financing options for its sustainability. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Advisory Group on CORSIA.

4. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) further encouraged Member States to make all efforts to submit 2019 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions to ICAO through the CORSIA Central Registry (CCR) as soon as possible, with continued support by the Secretariat, as described in paragraph 1 of C-WP/15109, and in this regard, encouraged Member States to inform the Secretariat of any technical difficulty encountered for the preparation and reporting of 2019 emissions through the CCR;
- b) acknowledged that the CCR was an essential implementation element of CORSIA, and in this connection, agreed to incorporate the CCR hosting and maintenance costs into the ICAO regular budget of the next triennium (2023-2024-2025), while emphasising the need to continue to explore other options, such as the use of savings, to fill the gap for the current triennium, and that a further assessment of the three identified options in paragraph 2 of C-WP/15109, would be undertaken, if needed, including the potential implications for Member States, and potential legal aspects, and
- c) requested the Secretariat to continue to seek voluntary contributions from Member States to fund the CCR host and maintenance cost, recognizing a short timeline for States to respond to the State letter request since July 2020.

### **Results of the consultation with Member States on amendments to the ICAO document “CORSIA Sustainability Criteria for CORSIA Eligible Fuels”**

5. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15111, which presented the results of State letter consultation with Member States on the proposal to amend the ICAO document *CORSIA Sustainability Criteria for Eligible Fuels*, in accordance with decisions taken by the Council during the 219th Session (C-DEC 219/6 and C-WP/15000 refer).

6. The Council also had for consideration an oral report from the Advisory Group on CORSIA, which recommended to the Council that it approve the amendments to the ICAO document, proposed originally in Appendix C of C-WP/15000, with the inclusion of the further amendments proposed in Appendix B to C-WP/15111.

7. In light of the requests of some Representatives for more time to be granted to Member States to reply to the State letter (ENV 6/6 – 20/53, dated 28 April 2020), it was decided that the due date for replies to the State letter be extended to allow for additional replies, for further consideration at the 222nd Session.

### **Results of the Committee on Aviation Environmental Protection Steering Group Meeting**

8. The Council considered this item on the basis of an oral report, outlining the outcomes of the recent meeting of the Committee on Aviation Environmental Protection (CAEP) Steering Group, held virtually from 5 to 9 October 2020, which was presented by the Chairperson of the CAEP.

9. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) expressed its appreciation to the members of the CAEP for their ongoing efforts and positive contributions to advance the work of the Organization on the environment, and in particular to the outgoing Chairperson, Mr. Gilles Bourgeois, for his dedication and outstanding leadership in this role;
- b) agreed that the 2020 version of the ICAO CORSIA CO<sub>2</sub> Estimation and Reporting Tool (CERT), and supporting technical documentation, as recommended by the CAEP, would be approved by the Council through correspondence, while noting that other specific CAEP recommendations requiring Council actions would be brought to the 222nd Session; and
- c) recalled that the Secretariat had been requested to present a structure, process and methodology for the 2022 periodic review of CORSIA, including a work programme for the technical and analytical contributions of CAEP thereto, as well as an initial update of the CAEP analysis on the impact of COVID-19 on CORSIA, to be presented for consideration by the Council during the 222nd Session (paragraph 5 of C-DEC 220/13 refers).

### **Adoption of Amendment 91 to Annex 10, Volume III**

10. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15094, which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 91 to Annex 10 – *Aeronautical Telecommunications, Volume III – Communication Systems*.

11. It was noted that having examined the technical circumstances associated with the implementation of the amendment, the Air Navigation Commission considered that an effective date of March 2021 and a proposed applicability date of 3 November 2021, would be suitable for the implementation of these provisions.

12. Following consideration, the Council by 35 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions (one Representative being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 91 to Annex 10, Volume III, the amendment to Standards and Recommended Practices as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15094;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to notes as contained in Appendix C to the working paper;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption in Appendix D to the working paper; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 10, Volume III, as contained in Appendix E to the working paper.

**Any other business**

**Additional meeting of the session**

13. It was noted that an additional (Tenth) Meeting of the current session would be required and that this would be scheduled on Wednesday, 18 November 2020.

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