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COUNCIL — 221ST SESSION

TENTH MEETING

(VIRTUAL MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 2020, AT 1000 HOURS)

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

OPEN MEETING

Recommendations by the Technical Advisory Body (TAB) on CORSIA eligible emission units

1. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15110, which presented the recommendations of the Technical Advisory Body (TAB) on CORSIA eligible emissions units, as a result of its second assessment cycle. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Advisory Group on CORSIA (AGC).
2. Following consideration, the Council:
 - a) accepted the TAB recommendations related to general eligibility parameters, as set out in paragraph 2.1 and Appendix B (TAB Report, paragraph 4.1) of C-WP/15110;
 - b) accepted the TAB recommendations related to programme-specific eligibility parameters, as set out in paragraph 2.2 and Appendix B (TAB Report, paragraph 4.2) of C-WP/15110;
 - c) approved the proposed amendments to the ICAO document “CORSIA Eligible Emissions Units”, as set out in Appendix A to C-WP/15110;
 - d) welcomed the excellent work and dedication of the current TAB leadership and TAB members, while taking note of the TAB’s procedural updates, including with respect to TAB leadership roles and its meeting cycle, as described in paragraph 5 and Appendix C of C-WP/15110;
 - e) noted the importance of geographic diversity in TAB leadership, and encouraged TAB, to the extent possible, to ensure that all regions are represented in TAB leadership roles and to include consideration of the rotation of leadership roles in their deliberations to fill positions;
 - f) agreed that on the occasion when the TAB next presents a report to the Council, more information on the TAB structure, working methods, membership and leadership be presented to assist a better understanding of how TAB does its work and to better

inform on future considerations of TAB recommendations to the Council, including, but not limited to an elaboration of the decision-making process contained in Appendix D of C-WP/15110; and

- g) noted that further information on the supply of CORSIA eligible emissions units would be presented by TAB at the 222nd Session of the Council (C-WP/15110, paragraph 3.1 refers).

Recommendations related to CORSIA eligible Sustainability Certification Schemes (SCSs)

3. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15112, which presented the recommendations of the CAEP Sustainability Certification Schemes Evaluation Group (SCSEG) on the eligibility of Sustainability Certification Schemes (SCS) under CORSIA, to be included in the first edition of the ICAO document “CORSIA Approved Sustainability Certification Schemes”, as well as the CAEP recommendations to amend the SCSEG Terms of Reference (TOR). The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Advisory Group on CORSIA (AGC).

4. Following consideration, the Council::

- a) approved the first edition of the ICAO document “CORSIA Approved Sustainability Certification Schemes”, as set out in Appendix A of C-WP/15112, for publication on the ICAO CORSIA webpage;
- b) approved the amendments recommended by CAEP to the SCSEG Terms of Reference (TOR), as set out in Appendix D of C-WP/15112;
- c) recalled its decisions taken during the 217th Session (C-DEC 217/9 refers), in which it was agreed that while part of CAEP, the SCSEG would report directly to the Council in order to preserve the independent nature of its work, with the comments of the CAEP Members and Observers thereon being presented to the Council in conjunction with the SCSEG recommendations, in line with the SCSEG TORs;
- d) underscored that SCS would apply only ICAO-approved sustainability criteria for the certification of fuels for use during the CORSIA pilot phase in accordance with Annex 16, Volume IV;
- e) noted that the current ten members of SCSEG do not represent all regions, and encouraged more suitably qualified experts from a broader and more diverse range of geographical regions, with a view to including experts from currently underrepresented regions to join, support and advance the work of both CAEP and SCSEG; and
- f) requested that information on the fees for fuel certification by SCS incurred by fuel producers be presented to Council in a future session, so the Council can understand the implications of the SCS certification costs; and
- g) requested that, as a matter of procedural and practical importance, more information on the SCSEG as well as all future SCS applications be uploaded to the CAEP page on the Council website, while future SCS applications are to continue to be formally

presented under cover of a working paper, for consideration and decision by the Council.

5. It was noted that the reservation expressed by a Representative in relation to C-WP/15112 would be reflected in the minutes to this meeting.

Programme of ICAO meetings for 2021 and tentative programme of meetings for 2022-2023

6. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15092, which presented the programme of meetings for the year 2021 and, for planning purposes, the tentative programme of meetings for the years 2022 and 2023. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Working Group on Governance and Efficiency (WGGE).

7. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) approved the convening of a single high-level conference relating to the COVID-19 pandemic response and the aviation sector recovery, including an emphasis on safety and facilitation, on the understanding that this would replace the initially proposed two high-level conferences that were contained in Appendix A of C-WP/15092 and a high-level COVID-19 event referred to in paragraph 4.1.4 of the Oral CART Report and paragraph 3.3 of C-WP/15092;
- b) took note that the proposed date for the aforementioned high-level conference would be presented for approval at the next meeting of the current session;
- c) acknowledged that while the convening of the aforementioned high-level conference as an in-person event would be a preferred option, it might be necessary for the event to be held in a virtual or hybrid setting instead, and agreed that the final decision on the format of the event would need to be taken during the 222nd Session and the proposed agenda would also be adjusted accordingly;
- d) further agreed that if the aforementioned high-level conference was convened as a hybrid or virtual event, the different time zones of participants attending from around the world would be taken into consideration;
- e) requested the Secretariat to consult Member States on the agenda items and expected outcomes, while also noting that prior to the issuance of the State letter, the views of the ANC would be sought as to the contents of the State letter vis-à-vis the proposed agenda items pertaining to safety;
- f) requested the Secretariat to present a report at the 222nd Session, in which the results of consultation with Member States and details related to the logistical arrangements, would be provided;
- g) noted that the Thirty-Eighth Session of the Legal Committee may be scheduled to occur in 2021 instead of 2022, as currently indicated in the Appendix B to C-WP/15092;

- h) approved the programme of meetings for 2021 presented in Appendix A, subject to the amendments referred to in the preceding sub-paragraphs above, and on the understanding that further minor refinements might be necessary when the details pertaining to the high-level conference are finalized; and
- i) approved, for planning purposes, the programme of meetings for the years 2022 and 2023, as presented in Appendices B and C respectively, taking into consideration that the schedule for 2023 would be subject to the approval of the 2023-2024-2025 Budget of the Organization by the 41st Session of the Assembly.

Need, agenda, date, organisation, site and languages for the High-level Facilitation Conference 2021

8. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15107, which presented a proposal to convene the first High-level Facilitation Conference (HLFC/1) at ICAO Headquarters from 15 to 19 November 2021. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Air Transport Committee.

9. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) recalled the decision taken in the preceding item that instead of convening the HLFC 2021 as a standalone event, it should be combined with the two other high-level events that were scheduled to occur in the course of 2021; and
- b) noted that for the facilitation component envisaged as part of the combined high-level event to take place, the specific agenda items would need to be finalized.

Gender consideration in the establishment of Council committees and groups

10. The Council considered this item on the basis of a joint oral report of the Working Group on Governance and Efficiency and the Implementation, Strategy and Planning Group.

11. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) recalled Assembly Resolution A39-30, *ICAO Gender Equality Programme – promoting the participation of women in the global aviation sector*, and in this connection, affirmed the principles of gender equality and empowerment of women;
- b) agreed to establish a Small Group on Gender (SGG) to consider opportunities to enhance gender equality in the composition of the governing and technical bodies of ICAO, and tasked the SGG with presenting initial recommendations for consideration by the Council during its 222nd Session, including possible adoption of a Council Declaration related to gender representation; and
- c) delegated the authority to the President of the Council, to determine the final composition of the SGG, in consultation with Council Representatives.

Any other business

Hurricane Iota

12. The Council expressed its solidarity with the peoples of Colombia and of the countries of Central America following the loss of life and severe destruction caused as a result of Hurricane Iota.

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