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COUNCIL — 237TH SESSION

FOURTH MEETING

(COUNCIL CHAMBER, FRIDAY, 27 MARCH 2026, AT 1000 HOURS)

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

OPEN MEETING

Clarification regarding the practice of remote voting

1. The Secretariat provided an overview of the Council's practice on remote voting, including with respect to the "Guidelines for virtual meetings," as adopted by the Council in 2020. The Secretariat further recalled that the Council had subsequently affirmed in 2022 that said Guidelines remained applicable to remote participation by Council Representatives in Council meetings (C-DEC 225/5, refers).

Adoption of Amendment 51 to Annex 6 — Operation of Aircraft, Part I — International Commercial Air Transport — Aeroplanes

2. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15791 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 51 to Annex 6 — *Operation of Aircraft, Part I – International Commercial Air Transport – Aeroplanes*.

3. 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 3 August 2026 and the following proposed applicability dates, would be suitable for Amendment 51 to Annex 6, Part I:

- i. **26 November 2026** for elements concerning the runway overrun awareness and alerting system (ROAAS), use of terms authorization, acceptance and approval, end of flight location, minor amendments and consequential amendments stemming from the adoption of Amendment 2 to Annex 19; and
- ii. **23 November 2028** for elements concerning protection of the flight data analysis programme (FDAP) and flight recorder recordings.

4. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as well as the impact assessment, as contained in Appendices A and B, respectively, to the working paper.

5. Following consideration, the Council, by 34 votes in favour, 0 votes against, and 0 abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 51 to Annex 6, Part I, the amendment to definitions and to Standards and Recommended Practices, as contained in Appendix C to

C-WP/15791;

- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Notes as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15791;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption as contained in Appendix D to C-WP/15791; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 6, Part I, as contained in Appendix E to C-WP/15791.

Adoption of Amendment 43 to Annex 6 — Operation of Aircraft, Part II — International General Aviation — Aeroplanes

6. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15792 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 43 to Annex 6 — *Operation of Aircraft, Part II – International General Aviation – Aeroplanes*.

7. 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 3 August 2026 and the following proposed applicability dates, would be suitable for Amendment 43 to Annex 6, Part II:

- i. **26 November 2026** for elements concerning general aviation helicopters, ROAAS, use of terms authorization, acceptance and approval, and minor amendments; and
- ii. **23 November 2028** for elements concerning protection of flight recorder recordings.

8. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as well as the impact assessment, as contained in Appendices A and B, respectively, to the working paper.

9. Following consideration, the Council, by 34 votes in favour, 0 votes against, and 0 abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 43 to Annex 6, Part II, the amendment to definitions and to Standards and Recommended Practices, as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15792;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Notes as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15792;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption as contained in Appendix D to C-WP/15792; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 6, Part II, as contained in Appendix E to C-WP/15792.

Adoption of Amendment 27 to Annex 6 — Operation of Aircraft, Part III — International Operations — Helicopters

10. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15793 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 27 to Annex 6 — *Operation of Aircraft, Part III – International Operations – Helicopters*.

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 3 August 2026 and the following proposed applicability dates, would be suitable for Amendment 27 to Annex 6, Part III:

- i. **26 November 2026** for elements concerning general aviation helicopters, use of terms authorization, acceptance and approval, minor amendments and consequential amendments stemming from the adoption of Amendment 2 to Annex 19; and
- ii. **23 November 2028** for elements concerning protection of the flight data analysis programme (FDAP) and flight recorder recordings.

12. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as well as the impact assessment, as contained in Appendices A and B, respectively, to the working paper.

13. Following consideration, the Council, by 34 votes in favour, 0 votes against, and 0 abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 27 to Annex 6, Part III, the amendment to definitions and to Standards and Recommended Practices, as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15793;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Notes as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15793;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption as contained in Appendix D to C-WP/15793; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 6, Part III, as contained in Appendix E to C-WP/15793.

Adoption of Amendment 1 to Annex 6 — Operation of Aircraft, Part IV — International Operations — Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems

14. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15794 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 1 to Annex 6 — *Operation of Aircraft, Part IV – International Operations — Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems*.

15. 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 3 August 2026 and proposed applicability date of 21 November 2030 would be suitable for Amendment 1 to Annex 6, Part IV.

16. In this connection, the Council further agreed to the postponement of the applicability date to 21 November 2030, of the first edition of Annex 6, Part IV, in accordance with Assembly Resolution A39-22, Operative Clause 7, which allows foregoing the Member State consultation when the Council deems that urgent action is necessary.

17. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as well as the impact assessment, as contained in Appendices A and B, respectively, to the working paper.

18. Following consideration, the Council, by 34 votes in favour, 0 votes against, and 0 abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted Amendment 1 to Annex 6, Part IV, as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15794;
- b) approved the Resolution of Adoption, as contained in Appendix D to C-WP/15794; and
- c) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 6, Part IV, as contained in Appendix E to C-WP/15794.

Adoption of Amendment 20 to Annex 13 — Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigation

19. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15800 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 20 to Annex 13 — *Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigation*.

20. 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 3 August 2026 and proposed applicability date of 23 November 2028 would be suitable for Amendment 20 to Annex 13. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as well as the impact assessment, as contained in Appendices A and B, respectively, to the working paper.

21. Following consideration, the Council, by 34 votes in favour, 0 votes against, and 0 abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 20 to Annex 13, the amendment to definitions and to Standards and Recommended Practices, as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15800;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Attachments and Notes as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15800;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption as contained in Appendix D to C-WP/15800; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 13, as contained in Appendix E to C-WP/15800.

Adoption of Amendment 15 to Annex 16 — Environmental Protection, Volume I — Aircraft Noise

22. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15802 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 15 to Annex 16 — *Environmental Protection, Volume I — Aircraft Noise*.

23. 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 3 August 2026 and proposed applicability date of 1 January 2027 would be suitable for Amendment 15 to Annex 16, Volume I. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as well as the impact assessment, as contained in Appendices A and B, respectively, to the working paper.

24. Following consideration, the Council, by 33 votes in favour, 0 votes against, and 0 abstentions (3 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 15 to Annex 16, Volume I, the amendment to definitions and to Standards and Recommended Practices, as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15802;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Notes and Attachments as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15802;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption as contained in Appendix D to C-WP/15802; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 16, Volume I, as contained in Appendix E to C-WP/15802.

Adoption of Amendment 12 to Annex 16 — Environmental Protection, Volume II — Aircraft Engine Emissions

25. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15803 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 12 to Annex 16 — *Environmental Protection, Volume II — Aircraft Engine Emissions*.

26. 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 3 August 2026 and proposed applicability date of 1 January 2027 would be suitable for Amendment 12 to Annex 16, Volume II. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as well as the impact assessment, as contained in Appendices A and B, respectively, to the working paper.

27. Following consideration, the Council, by 34 votes in favour, 0 votes against, and 0 abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 12 to Annex 16, Volume II, the amendment to definitions and to Standards and Recommended Practices, as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15803;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Notes and Attachments as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15803;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption as contained in Appendix D to C-WP/15803; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 16, Volume II, as contained in Appendix E to C-WP/15803.

Adoption of Amendment 3 to Annex 16 — Environmental Protection, Volume III — Aeroplane CO₂ Emissions

28. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15804 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 3 to Annex 16 — *Environmental Protection, Volume III — Aeroplane CO₂ Emissions*.

29. 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 3 August 2026 and proposed applicability date of 1 January 2027 would be suitable for Amendment 3 to Annex 16, Volume III. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as well as the impact assessment, as contained in Appendices A and B, respectively, to the working paper.

30. Following consideration, the Council, by 34 votes in favour, 0 votes against, and 0 abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 3 to Annex 16, Volume III, the amendment to definitions and to Standards, as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15804;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Notes as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15804;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption as contained in Appendix D to C-WP/15804; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 16, Volume III, as contained in Appendix E to C-WP/15804.

Adoption of Amendment 2 to Annex 16 — Environmental Protection, Volume IV — Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA)

31. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15805 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 2 to Annex 16 — *Environmental Protection*, Volume IV — *Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA)*.

32. 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 3 August 2026 and proposed applicability date of 1 January 2027 would be suitable for Amendment 2 to Annex 16, Volume IV. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as well as the impact assessment, as contained in Appendices A and B, respectively, to the working paper.

33. Following consideration, the Council, by 34 votes in favour, 0 votes against, and 0 abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 2 to Annex 16, Volume IV, the amendment to definitions and to Standards and Recommended Practices, as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15805;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Notes as contained in Appendix C to C-WP/15805;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption as contained in Appendix D to C-WP/15805; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 16, Volume IV, as contained in Appendix E to C-WP/15805.

Review of the report of the thirtieth meeting of the Dangerous Goods Panel (DGP/30)

34. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15806 which presented amendments to the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284) and supporting documentation, arising from the thirtieth meeting of the Dangerous Goods Panel (DGP/30).

35. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) approved the amendments proposed to the Technical Instructions through Recommendations 1/1, 2/1, and 3/1 of the DGP/30 Meeting for incorporation in the 2027-2028 Edition of the Technical Instructions, as reflected in Appendix A to C-WP/15806;
- b) also approved the amendments proposed to the Technical Instructions through Recommendation 4/2 of the DGP/30 Meeting for incorporation in the 2025-2026 Edition of the Technical Instructions, through an addendum, as further modified by the ANC and reflected in Appendix A to C-WP/15806;
- c) further approved the amendments to the Supplement to the Technical Instructions proposed through Recommendation 1/2 of the DGP/30 Meeting, as reflected in Appendix A to C-WP/15806;
- d) took note of the action taken by the Air Navigation Commission with respect to Recommendations 2/2, 4/1, 4/3, 5/1 and 6/3 of the DGP/30 Meeting, as reflected in Appendix A to C-WP/15806;
- e) noting that an informal briefing on safety would be organized by the Secretariat during the 238th Session of the Council, requested that the matter of power banks carried aboard aircraft be included as an item for discussion during said informal briefing; and
- f) requested the Air Navigation Commission to keep the Council informed of developments concerning Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS) for carriage of dangerous goods and prioritizing risk prevention.

ANC Work Programme for the 232nd Session

36. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15808, which presented the proposed work programme for the 232nd Session of the Air Navigation Commission (ANC).

37. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) approved the proposed ANC work programme for its 232nd Session, including the Session's opening and closing dates of 4 May to 26 June 2026, respectively, with a recess from 25 May to 12 June 2026; and
- b) took note of the planned items for the 233rd and 234th Sessions, as outlined in Appendices B and C of the working paper, respectively.

Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) Radio Frequency Interference (RFI)

38. The Council considered this item on the basis of an oral report presented by the Secretary General, which pursuant to C-DEC 233/7, provided a strategic level overview of the technical and legal considerations associated with GNSS RFI, with a view to supporting a shared, high-level understanding of

the matter. The Council also had for consideration oral reports from the Air Navigation Commission (ANC) and the Aviation Security Committee (ASC), respectively.

39. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) noted the analysis contained in the Secretary General's oral report, and in doing so, reiterated its concern regarding the increasing number and geographic spread of reported GNSS RFI occurrences, which posed a serious and ongoing risk to the safety and security of civil aviation, warranting continued monitoring by the Secretariat and sustained attention by the Council;
- b) emphasized the need for a holistic approach in addressing GNSS RFI occurrences that integrates safety, security, and cybersecurity considerations;
- c) mindful that the nature, scale, and operational impact of GNSS RFI vary across regions, including both conflict-affected and non-conflict-affected areas, highlighted that the establishment of monitoring capability at regional / national levels is critical, and that future reporting and analysis should remain responsive to regional specificities and operational realities;
- d) underscored the importance of strengthening the resilience of the overall air navigation system architecture, and in that connection, highlighted the need for short-, medium-, and long-term mitigation measures aimed at enhancing the resilience of GNSS across ground, space, and airborne components;
- e) recognized the importance of continued inter-agency cooperation to address this issue, and in that regard welcomed the development of an enhanced procedure between ICAO and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) for reporting GNSS RFI occurrences, through ICAO regional offices and the ITU online reporting platform;
- f) welcomed the progress made in advancing the work on the ICAO GNSS RFI roadmap, as well as the ongoing development of a GNSS RFI iPack;
- g) recalled the importance of additional States ratifying the *Convention on the Suppression of Unlawful Acts Relating to International Civil Aviation* and *Protocol Supplementary to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Seizure of Aircraft*, both done at Beijing on 10 September 2010 (Beijing Convention and Protocol), noting that broader adherence would strengthen the international legal framework addressing acts of unlawful interference against civil aviation; and
- h) requested the Secretariat to hold an informal briefing of the Council during its 238th Session that would address, *inter alia*, the progress on the ICAO GNSS RFI Roadmap and the short-, medium-, and long-term planning to address the growing risk posed by GNSS RFI occurrences.

Farewell to a Council Representative

40. The Council bade farewell to the Representative of Germany (Mr Heinz Decker).

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