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Concerning safety recommendation TSIB RA-2017-010 pertaining to aerodrome rescue and fire-fighting service (RFFS) category, ICAO notes that in this serious incident a suitable decision was made for a diversion to an en-route aerodrome which resulted in a successful outcome. The Standard related to RFFS protection in Annex 6 — *Operation of Aircraft*, Part I — *International Commercial Air Transport* — *Aeroplanes* requires the operator to ensure an acceptable level of protection is available. Guidance on what may be considered acceptable by the operator is contained in Annex 6, Part I, Attachment I — Rescue and fire-fighting service (RFFS) levels, which is currently being updated and scheduled to be applicable in November 2018. The updated guidance includes the use of the operator's SMS to conduct a risk assessment for the selection of aerodromes. The RFFS protection level constitutes one element of this risk assessment.