



ASSEMBLY — 41ST SESSION

LEGAL COMMISSION

Agenda Item 41: Work Programme of the Organization in the Legal Field

A PROPOSAL FOR A LEGAL SEMINAR IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION

(Presented by the Republic of Korea)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This paper outlines a proposal of the Republic of Korea (ROK) to convene a legal seminar in either Seoul or another major city in the ROK in 2024, with the joint sponsorship of ICAO.

Action: The Assembly is invited to note the proposal in this paper and support the seminar.

<i>Strategic Objectives:</i>	This working paper relates to Supporting Implementation Strategies – Legal and External Relations Services
<i>Financial implications:</i>	N/A
<i>References:</i>	Doc 9859, <i>Safety Management Manual, 4th Edition</i> Doc 9735, <i>Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme continuous monitoring approach</i> Annex 19, <i>Safety Management, 2nd Edition</i> A40-WP/51, <i>A Comprehensive strategy for aviation safety: Endorsement of the updated Global Aviation Safety Plan</i>

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 With respect to paragraph 3, Work Programme of the Legal Committee, in A41-WP/53-LE/2 under Agenda Item 41, the Republic of Korea (ROK) is willing to continue its contribution to the ICAO work programme in the legal field by holding a legal seminar in 2024.

1.2 Considering the importance of legal seminars for training and informing civil aviation officials and industry executives in regard to legal developments in the aviation field, the ROK proposes to convene a legal seminar, with the joint sponsorship of ICAO, under the theme “Developments in Air Law, Aviation Safety and Security” either in Seoul or another major city in the ROK in 2024.

2. **PROPOSED REGIONAL LEGAL SEMINAR IN 2024**

2.1 States to which the ICAO is accredited will be invited to the proposed legal seminar.

2.2 The proposed legal seminar will discuss the following subjects:

- a) Legal framework for cooperative measures to deal with threats in civil aviation; and
- b) Legal matters of interest to the aviation community.

2.3 Details of the program and budget of the legal seminar in 2024 shall be decided through consultations amongst potential members of an organizing committee, which shall consist of representatives from ICAO's Legal Affairs and External Relations Bureau (LEB), the ROK government authorities and related organizations.

3. **INTERNATIONAL AVIATION COOPERATION**

3.1 The ROK has successfully organized and hosted a number of international seminars and conferences in the aviation arena, including seven Conferences on International Air Transport Cooperation (CIAT) between 2004 and 2022 and six ICAO Legal Seminars in 2006, 2009, 2012, 2015, 2018 and 2022, respectively. Due to COVID-19, it was not possible to hold an ICAO legal seminar in 2021. Instead, the seminar was held in a hybrid format (in person/on-line) in 2022. Also in 2022, the ROK successfully organized and hosted the 57th Asia-Pacific DGCA meeting.

3.2 The ROK will fulfil the responsibility of a Member State hosting a legal seminar and will make every effort to hold a successful and fruitful seminar in which participating Member States can exchange views on legal issues in the international aviation community.

4. **FUTURE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED ASIA-PACIFIC LEGAL SEMINAR**

4.1 The proposed seminar is expected to strengthen the development of a cooperative legal framework for aviation safety and security in ICAO.

4.2 The proposed seminar will contribute to the settlement of differences in dealing with legal issues amongst the ICAO Member States.

4.3 The proposed seminar will serve as an excellent opportunity to promote the ratification of air law treaties and instruments to all ICAO Member States.