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**Agenda Item 1: Preparation of the SAM region for HLCC 2021**

**PROGRESS IN THE ADOPTION OF CART III MEASURES AND REPORTING IN THE CRRIC**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

**SUMMARY**

This working paper summarizes the adoption status of Recommendations and the Public Health Measures from CART Phase III and the Take Document; likewise, the progress of the Region States reported in the CRRIC.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 The ICAO Council Aviation Recovery Task Force (CART) reconvened in early 2021 to review and update its guidance to support states to accelerate the restart and recovery of aviation.

1.2 With the rising of new variants of the virus, progress in vaccine rollouts, and new tools for combating COVID-19, the work of CART has targeted specific issues related to testing and vaccination of passengers as part of a State's multilayer risk management strategy.

1.3 It is important to note that CARTS's Phase III took into account the World Health Organization (WHO) position that "national authorities and conveyance operators should not introduce requirements of proof of COVID-19 vaccination for international travel as a condition for departure or entry".

**2. ANALYSIS**

2.1 In CART Phase III, the recommended multilayer risk management strategy has been supplemented with considerations on testing protocols and proof-of-results certification interoperability, as well as evidence of vaccination for crew and passengers. The guidance on Public Health Corridors (PHCs) and appropriate masks for air travel were also updated.

2.2 As part of the work of CART Phase III, the Testing and Cross-border Risk Management Measures Manual (Doc. 10152) was reviewed; this document provides detailed guidance on risk management, information on recent scientific developments with respect to COVID-19 testing, as well as a new section on vaccination and its interdependencies with other tools in a State's multi-layered risk management framework.

2.3 Since the CART phase I publication in May 2020, the SAM Region through the Strategic Group in Response to COVID-19 (GESAM), has been working closely with the States in the adoption of the Recommendations and the implementation of the Sanitary Measures included in the CART and the Take-Off Document, respectively.

2.4 Although the collaborative work between the SAM Region States has allowed progress in adopting the Recommendations and Health Measures to be one of the best among all ICAO Regions, some gaps are still identified in the adoption process.

2.5 The reduction of the gap will foster the process of aviation recovery and resilience at the regional level. In Figure I, it can be observed the implementation of the Recommendations by the State. It is important to focus mainly on reducing the gap concerning "not started", which means that there are still Recommendations that have not been evaluated regarding their implementation.

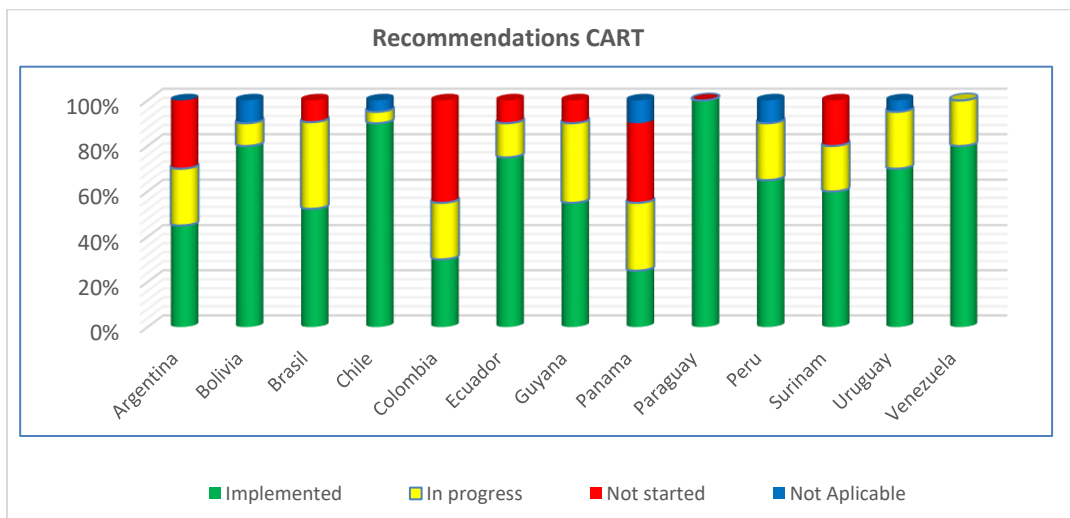


Figure I

2.6 Figures II and III show the adoption of sanitary measures by the State and at the regional level, respectively. The region has adopted 89% of the Sanitary Measures of the Take-Off Document, which places the region in a favorable position regarding this process; however, it is necessary to continue working on the implementation.

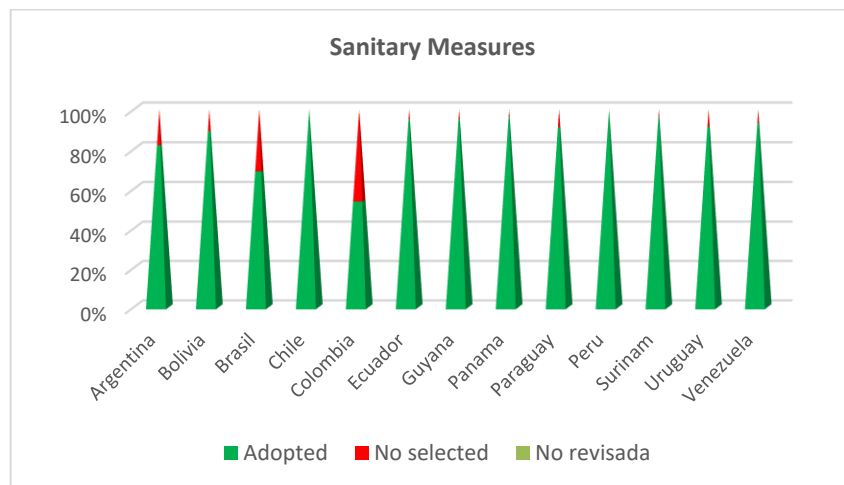
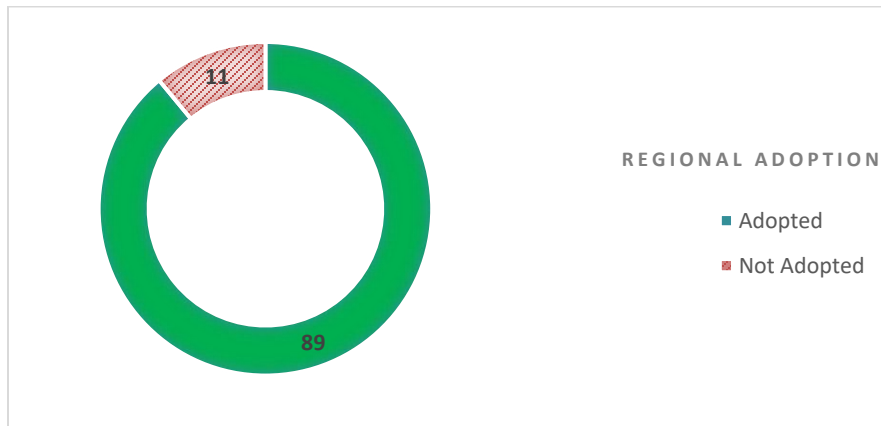


Figure II



**Figure III**

2.7 It is important to recall that the CRRIC is the platform for reporting the adoption of Recommendations and Sanitary Measures where the focal points designated by the States have done an excellent job in reporting the adoption. It represents an essential input for ICAO in the decision-making for future CART amendments; however, some information gaps are still visible, so it is necessary to remind the States of the need to complete the CART adoption report in the CRRIC, and to keep the information up to date.

### 3. SUGGESTED ACTIONS

3.1 The Fifth Virtual Meeting of Civil Aviation General Directors of the South American Region is invited to:

- a) Take note of the information presented in this working paper;
- b) implement CART Recommendations and the adoption of Sanitary Measures; and
- c) request States to report and update information related to adoption in the CRRIC.

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