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Lima, 20 March 2024

To: Lt. Col. Egbert Field, Director General, Guyana Civil Aviation Authority
H.E. Uraiqit H. Ramsaran, Minister of Transport, Communication and Tourism, Suriname

Subject: **Invitation-Twelfth Meeting of the ICAO/LACAC NAM/CAR and SAM Aviation Security and Facilitation Regional Group (AVSEC/FAL/RG/12)** (Lima, Peru, from 6 to 10 May 2024), which will include the **Air Cargo Workshop (Security and Facilitation)** (Lima, Peru, from 6 to 7 May 2024)

Action
required:

- 1) Transmittal by States of additional matters to the Provisional Agenda of the AVSEC/FAL/RG/12 Draft no later than **1 April 2024**
- 2) Submission of documentation and/or presentations by the deadlines provided in this letter
- 3) Register participation by **19 April 2024**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Further to the previous communication Ref.: LS 8/25-SA516, from 18 October 2023 (SAM), and E.OSG-NACC109553, dated 23 October 2023 (NACC), we wish to invite your Administration/Organization to participate in the Twelfth Meeting of the ICAO/LACAC NAM/CAR/SAM Aviation Security and Facilitation Regional Group (AVSEC/FAL/RG/12), to be held in Lima, Peru, from 6 to 10 May 2024, under the auspices of the General Directorate of Civil Aeronautics (DGAC) of Peru. The group's plenary session will take place from 8 to 10 May, preceded by the workshop on air cargo on 6 to 7 May 2024, which will cover air cargo security and facilitation, highlighting digitalization.

At this Regional Group meeting, efforts will be made to concretize the work and initiatives of the States in promoting facilitation and security of civil aviation. Challenges in the implementation of security and facilitation activities will be discussed, actions to implement best practices in air cargo will be analysed and adopted, and cooperation in AVSEC and FAL issues will be promoted. Additionally, States will be updated on the actions proposed by the AVSECP, FALP, and CYSECP expert groups, as well as the CAPSCA program.

Aviation Security and Facilitation personnel from States and Territories of the ICAO NAM/CAR and SAM Regions, as well as representatives of international organizations, are invited to attend. Participants are expected to provide an update on the implementation of their aviation security and facilitation projects, to share actions adopted for promotion to the Year of Facilitation - FAL2024, the challenges in the implementation of cybersecurity, and other topics they consider relevant to the meeting. The working languages will be English and Spanish, and simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

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We would appreciate if you complete the registration form, one for each event, no later than **19 April 2024** and through the following links:

- **Twelfth Meeting of the ICAO/LACAC NAM/CAR and SAM Aviation Security and Facilitation Regional Group (AVSEC/FAL/RG/12)**
<https://forms.office.com/r/ZEedfAuc9W>
- **Air Cargo Workshop**
<https://forms.office.com/r/P5DTj618w7>

The Draft agenda of the AVSEC/FAL/RG/12 Meeting is presented in **Attachment A**. States wishing to submit proposals for inclusion of additional items should do so by **01 April 2024**. The preliminary programme of the Air Cargo Workshop will be published on the meeting webpage on the ICAO secure portal. The tentative program of the workshop will be published on the public meeting page, <https://bit.ly/4akwKvo>, as well as on the CLAC website, <https://clac-lacac.org/>.

The venue of the meeting and the workshop, and the list of hotels and other useful information about the City of Lima will be published on the same public website of the event. Participants are encouraged to promptly make reservations with the hotel(s).


Documentation that your Administration/Organization wishes to deliver and/or present for the meeting AVSEC/FAL/RG/12 should be sent by email to the Secretariat of the Regional Group, through your accredited Regional Office at the email addresses icaosam@icao.int or icaonacc@icao.int , respectively, and copy to clacsec@clac-lacac.org in Microsoft Word and/or PowerPoint format, using the templates provided in Annexes B, C, and D, as soon as possible. Working papers for the meeting should be brief, action-oriented and focused on a specific subject, and cannot exceed four-pages, excluding any appendices.

Only working papers submitted by States/Territories and received by **05 April 2024**, will be translated. Working papers received after that date will have to be provided in both languages. The information papers as well as papers of international organizations will not be translated and will be issued only in the language submitted. The deadline to receive all working and information papers is **22 April 2024**. Deadlines for submission of documentation for translation will be strictly enforced. You are encouraged to submit documentation in both meeting languages (English and Spanish).

The documentation of the Meetings will be available on the regional group's secure portal at <https://login.icao.int/my.policy>. Please note that documents/presentations will be available only in electronic format and no hard copies will be distributed during these events.

If you require additional information on the meeting, please contact Messrs. Leonardo Boszczowski (lboszczowski@icao.int), ICAO SAM AVSEC/FAL Regional Officer; Jose Maria Peral, ICAO NACC AVSEC/FAL Regional Officer, and/or Luis Nuñez (lmnunez@clac-lacac.org), LACAC.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.


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AGENDA

ATTACHMENT A

TWELFTH MEETING OF THE AVIATION SECURITY AND FACILITATION REGIONAL GROUP (AVSEC/FAL/RG/12)

Lima, Peru, 8 to 10 May 2024

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- Agenda Item 1** **Approval of Meeting Agenda and Schedule**
- Agenda Item 2** **Previous Conclusions and Decisions**
- 2.1 Comments from States on the Procedural Handbook
- 2.2 Relationship process between AVSEC/FAL/RG and the relevant ICAO expert panels (AVSECP, FALP, CYSECP)
- Agenda Item 3** **Global and regional development**
- 3.1 ICAO AVSEC/FAL global activities
- Status of the GAsEP update (WP Secretariat)
 - Risk Assessment Manual on Civil Aircraft Operations over or near Conflict Zones (Doc 10084)
 - Presentation of the summary of the Aviation Security Panel (AVSECP/30)
 - Presentation of the summary of the Facilitation Panel (FALP/13)
 - Presentation of the summary of the Cybersecurity Panel (CYSECP/2)
 - Chart on Indicative Compliance with the standards of Annex 17 of the Universal Aviation Security Audit Program and Continuous Monitoring Approach (USAP-CMA)
- 3.2 CLAC contribution
- Agenda Item 4** **Programmes and projects – Aviation Security (AVSEC)**
- 4.1 Report on the actions and development of OSS initiatives in the region.
- 4.2 STEB bag recognition / LAG inspection equipment on transfer flights
- 4.3 Report of the Security / Technology Equipment Workshop held in Lima, March 2024.
- Agenda Item 5** **Programmes and projects – Facilitation (FAL)**
- 5.1 Initiatives of the Year of Facilitation 2024
- 5.2 Report on the Facilitation Survey to diagnose implementation among the States
- 5.3 Report on the progress of the ICAO TRIP Roadmap - ICAO
- 5.4 FAL PQ proposal to view the USAP

Agenda Item 6 **Programmes and projects – AVSEC and FAL**

- 6.1 Need of the implementation of API & PNR systems

Agenda Item 7 **Training, cooperation and assistance**

- 7.1 Recap of activities carried out in 2023 by the Implementation and Development Support Section – Aviation Security (ISD-SEC) and the Facilitation Section (FAL) and proposals for 2024
- 7.2 Other training activities in AVSEC or FAL

Agenda Item 8 **Other Business**

- 8.1 Venue and dates for the next meeting
 - 8.2 Verify election proposal for 2025 and/or suggest alterations in the Manual (2.1)
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