



**Agenda Item 1: Review of the results of the work of the GREPECAS contributory bodies and their respective Terms of Reference: c) AVSEC Committee**

**WORK PROGRAMME AND TERMS OF REFERENCE  
OF THE AVSEC COMMITTEE**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

**SUMMARY**

This working paper presents the work programme and achievements of the AVSEC Committee, in accordance with the terms of reference and works programme approved by GREPECAS/14 Meeting.

**References:**

- Report of the Fourteenth Regional Planning and Implementation Group (GREPECAS/14) Meeting, San José, Costa Rica, 16-20 April 2007.
- Report of the of the Fifth AVSEC Committee (AVSEC/COMM/5) Meeting, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 11-13 May 2006.
- AVSEC/COMM terms of reference (ToR).

**Strategic Objectives:**

*B: Aviation Security - Enhance global civil aviation security*

**1. Introduction**

1.1 The Fourteenth Regional Planning and Implementation Group (GREPECAS/14) Meeting reviewed and approved Conclusions of the Fifth Meeting of the GREPECAS Aviation Security Committee (AVSEC/COMM/5) Meeting which, considering the terms of reference, were included in the work programme of such Committee. **Appendices A and B** to this working paper present the work programme of the AVSEC/COMM and its Terms of Reference, respectively.

**2. Analysis**

2.1 According to the GREPECAS schedule of activities, and the next meeting for the AVSEC/COMM/6 will be tentatively held from 24 to 27 June 2008, hosted by Mexico as offered at the GREPECAS/14 Meeting. Meanwhile, the Passenger/Cabin Baggage Screening Task Force met from 31 January to 1 February 2008, in Montego Bay, Jamaica, with the participation of 19 representatives from 9 States/Territories/International Organizations, followed by the Passenger/Cabin Baggage Screening Seminar held 28 to 30 January 2008, with the participation of 84 representatives from 19 States/Territories and four International Organizations.

2.2 Taking into consideration the actual threats to international civil aviation and certain measures to be adopted and implemented by States in accordance with ICAO guidelines to strengthen international aviation security, the Passenger/Cabin Baggage Screening Task Force established 18 draft conclusions that will be submitted to the AVSEC/COMM in screening systems, recruitment and training, quality control, facilitation, human factors, among others. Each field identifies different tasks of the AVSEC/COMM in order to pursue accomplishment of ICAO Strategic Objective B and implementation by States/Territories.

2.3 With regard to the AVSEC Training Task Force and Cargo Security Task Force, due to several factors, they were not able to meet. They coordinated with the AVSEC Committee Secretary who, in order to activate the functioning of those task forces, will propose a reorganization at the next meeting of the AVSEC/COMM.

3. **Suggested Action**

3.1 The Meeting is invited to:

- a) take note of the information resented,
- b) analyze the progress achieved by the AVSEC/COMM work programme described in Appendices A and B to this working paper; and,
- c) formulate additional comments and recommendations in this regard.

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ID	Task Description	Responsibility	Priority	Duration	Completion	Start	Finish	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
1	AVSEC/COMM/1	GREPECAS		26 days?	100%	Mon 26/08/02	Fri 30/01/04	◆	26/08/2002						
2	AVSEC/COMM/2	GREPECAS		4 days	100%	Mon 07/04/03	Thu 10/04/03		◆	07/04/2003					
3	AVSEC/COMM/3	GREPECAS		2 days?	100%	Thu 04/03/04	Sat 06/03/04			◆	04/03/2004				
4	AVSEC/COMM/4	GREPECAS		3 days?	100%	Mon 04/04/05	Wed 06/04/05				◆	04/04/2005			
5	AVSEC/COMM/5	GREPECAS		2 days?	0%	Thu 11/05/06	Sat 13/05/06						◆	11/05/2006	
6	AVSEC/1 - Invalid row			1260 days?	57%	Mon 04/04/05	Fri 29/01/10								
7	AVSEC/1 - Identify shortcomings and analyse deficiencies in the implementation of ICAO AVSEC provisions which are common in many CAR/SAM States/Territories and develop regional initiatives & measures to encourage & facilitate their resolution (Permanent)	Chile	A	1260 days?	30%	Mon 04/04/05	Fri 29/01/10								
8	AVSEC/1-1 Established a Questionnaire to identify difficulty in shortcomings from States in the implementation of AVSEC Standards (100%)	Chile	A	696 days?	100%	Mon 04/04/05	Mon 03/12/07								
9	AVSEC/1-1.1 - Establishment of HBS Task Force to examine new and emerging threats; new and emerging technology; to provide States with technical information guidance to States in order to implement Annex 17 Std 4.4.8 by 1 Jan 2006 (100%)	AVSEC HBS Task Force	A	696 days?	100%	Mon 04/04/05	Mon 03/12/07								
10	AVSEC/1-1.2 - Conduct a HBS Seminar to provide Technical information from Equipment Suppliers, HBS Consultants, States and Intl. Organizations with Best Practices, Airports with HBS experience and International Organizations with finance options (100%)	AVSEC HBS Task Force	A	3 days?	100%	Mon 28/11/05	Wed 30/11/05								
11	AVSEC/1-1.3 - Conduct HBS Task Force Meeting to analyse technical data from the HBS Seminar presentations (100%)	AVSEC HBS Task Force	A	2 days?	100%	Thu 01/12/05	Fri 02/12/05								
12	AVSEC/1-1.4 - Finalise HBS Task Force Report with recommendation (100%)	AVSEC HBS Rapporteur	A	118 days?	100%	Mon 05/12/05	Wed 17/05/06								
13	AVSEC/1-1.5 - Review Final HBS Report at AVSEC/COMM/5 and make recommendations (100%)	AVSEC/COMM	A	228 days?	100%	Wed 17/05/06	Fri 30/03/07								
14	AVSEC/1-3 - Establish Model Cargo Security Programme (Pending by 30May2008)	Ad hoc Group	A	554 days?	36%	Wed 17/05/06	Mon 30/06/08								
15	AVSEC/2 - Monitor existing and develop new regional AVSEC training programmes (Pending by 30 Dec 2008)	AVSEC Traning Task Force (Jamaica, Transport Canada, TSA)	A	977 days?	77%	Mon 04/04/05	Tue 30/12/08								
16	AVSEC/2-1 - Establish a Training Task Force to coordinate AVSEC training activities and information (Pending by 30 June 2008)	AVSEC/TRAIN/TF		977 days?	77%	Mon 04/04/05	Tue 30/12/08								
17	AVSEC/2-1.1 - To maintain database of qualified AVSEC Instructors/Consultants available to States/Territories in the CAR/SAM Regions for use in regional training events	AVSEC/TRAIN/TF	B	977 days?	85%	Mon 04/04/05	Tue 30/12/08								
18	AVSEC/2-1.2 - Establish Model Passenger Security Screening Training Guidelines (by 30May2008)	AVSEC/TRAIN/TF	A	554 days?	45%	Wed 17/05/06	Mon 30/06/08								
19	AVSEC/2-1.4 - Conduct a Passenger Screening Seminar to provide States with current information on screening techniques and advance technology to meet emerging threats to Civil Aviation (100%)	AVSEC/TRAIN/TF	A	446 days?	100%	Wed 17/05/06	Wed 30/01/08								
20	AVSEC/6 - Review Amendment 11 to Annex 17 (100%)	Ad hoc Group	B	810 days?	100%	Mon 07/04/03	Sat 13/05/06								
21	AVSEC/8 - Coordinate with the LACAC AVSEC Group on the development of a regional mechanism for sharing sensitive information on threats to civil aviation	Peru	B	1128 days?	25%	Thu 04/03/04	Mon 30/06/08								
22	AVSEC/9 -ICAO Machine Readable Travel Documents (MRTD) Training Initiative.	ICAO/States	B	947 days?	35%	Wed 17/05/06	Thu 31/12/09								
23	AVSEC/10 - Identification of common criteria in Quality Control Programmes.	ICAO	A	685 days?	75%	Wed 17/05/06	Tue 30/12/08								
24	AVSEC/11 -Cargo Security Programme Workshop.	ICAO	A	947 days?	40%	Wed 17/05/06	Thu 31/12/09								
25	AVSEC/12 - AVSEC Point of Contact (PoC) Network.	States	A	554 days?	70%	Wed 17/05/06	Mon 30/06/08								

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Task Progress Summary External Tasks Deadline

Split Milestone Project Summary External Milestone

## APPENDIX B

## AVIATION SECURITY COMMITTEE (AVSEC/COMM)

## 1. Terms of Reference

- a) to foster regional cooperation among States, international organizations and industry in order to facilitate the ~~successful~~-effective implementation of ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) related to aviation security (AVSEC);
- b) to encourage the participation of States in the ICAO AVSEC Mechanism and Implementation Programmes to include their provision of voluntary funding and personnel when requested by ICAO;
- c) to actively support the approved ICAO AVSEC Plan of Action and other regional AVSEC initiatives; and
- d) to promulgate AVSEC awareness within the region through sponsorship of and participation in related training activities and seminars.

## 2. Work Programme

TASK NUMBER	TASK DESCRIPTION	PRIORITY	DATE	
			START	END
AVSEC/ 1	Identify and analyse shortcomings in the implementation of ICAO AVSEC provisions which are common in many States/Territories of the CAR/SAM Regions and develop regional initiatives and measures which will encourage and facilitate their resolution. <u>Use the results of the Universal Security Audit Programme as important tool.</u>	A	AVSEC/COMM/1	<u>Continuous Permanent</u>
AVSEC/ 1-1	Conduct periodic surveys to identify difficulties in shortcomings from States in the implementation of AVSEC/Facilitation Standards.	A	AVSEC/COMM/2	<u>Continuous AVSEC/COMM/6</u>
AVSEC/ 1-1.2	Establishment of Hold Baggage Screening (HBS) Task Force to examine new and emerging threats; new and emerging technology; to provide States with technical information guidance to States in order to implement Annex 17 Standard in conjunction with LACAC. <u>(GREPECAS Conclusion 14/10*)</u>	A	AVSEC/COMM/4	<u>Continuous AVSEC/COMM/6</u>
AVSEC/ 1-1.4	Finalize HBS Task Force report with recommendation	A	3 December 2005	15 June 2006 <u>Completed</u>
AVSEC/ 1-1.5	Review HBS report and validate HBS action plan by the Ad Hoc Group and make recommendations. <u>(GREPECAS Conclusion 14/7*)</u>	A	AVSEC/COMM/5	<u>Approved by GREPECAS/14</u>
AVSEC/ 1-1.6	Conduct a survey of the States in the CAR/SAM Regions to validate five conclusions regarding the implementation of Annex 17 standards.	A	AVSEC/COMM/5	<u>Completed by 1 September 2006</u>

TASK NUMBER	TASK DESCRIPTION	PRIORITY	DATE	
			START	END
AVSEC/1-2	Establish Cargo Security Programme Model.	A	AVSEC/COMM/5	AVSEC/COMM/6
AVSEC/1-2.1	Establish Cargo Security Task Force to develop a Cargo Security Programme Model.	A	AVSEC/COMM/5	<u>Continuous/AVSEC/COMM/6</u>
AVSEC/2	Monitor existing and develop new regional AVSEC training programmes	A	AVSEC/COMM/2	<u>Continuous Permanent</u>
AVSEC/2-1	Establish a Training Task Force to coordinate AVSEC training activities and information	A	AVSEC/COMM/4	<u>Continuous/AVSEC/COMM/6</u>
AVSEC/2-1.1	To maintain database of qualified AVSEC Instructors available to States/Territories in the CAR/SAM Regions for use in regional training events <u>(GREPECAS Conclusion 14/8)</u>	B	AVSEC/COMM/4	<u>Continuous Permanent</u>
AVSEC/2-1.2	Establish Passenger/Cabin Baggage Screening guidance to provide States with current information on screening techniques and advance technology to meet new and emerging threats to civil aviation.	A	AVSEC/COMM/5	AVSEC/COMM/6
AVSEC/2-1.3	Establish Passenger/Cabin Baggage Screening Task Force to coordinate a Passenger Screening Seminar/Meeting and provide States with guidance material.	A	AVSEC/COMM/5	AVSEC/COMM/6
AVSEC/2-1.4	That the Passenger/Cabin Baggage Screening Task Force establish a Passenger/Cabin Baggage Seminar/Meeting from 13-17 November 2006 in coordination with the ICAO NACC Office. <u>(GREPECAS Conclusion 14/13*)</u>	A	AVSEC/COMM/5	<u>13-17 November 2006 Completed by 28-30 January 2008</u>
AVSEC/6	Review all proposals for Amendments to Annexes 9 and 17.	A	AVSEC/COMM/3	<u>Continuous Completed by Oct. 2006</u>
AVSEC/8	Coordinate with the LACAC Group of AVSEC Experts on all AVSEC activities and initiatives in the CAR/SAM Regions.	B	AVSEC/COMM/3	<u>Continuous Permanent</u>
AVSEC/9	Establish a Facilitation Task Force to work with the Annex 9 provisions.	B	AVSEC/COMM/5	<u>Continuous Permanent</u>
<u>AVSEC/10</u>	<u>ICAO Machine Readable Travel Documents (MRTD) Training Initiative. (GREPECAS Conclusion 14/9)</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>AVSEC/COMM/5</u>	<u>December 2009</u>
<u>AVSEC/11</u>	<u>Identification of common criteria in Quality Control Programmes. (GREPECAS Conclusion 14/11)</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>AVSEC/COMM/5</u>	<u>December 2008</u>
<u>AVSEC/12</u>	<u>Cargo Security Programme Workshop. (GREPECAS Conclusion 14/12)</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>AVSEC/COMM/5</u>	<u>December 2009</u>
<u>AVSEC/13</u>	<u>AVSEC Point of Contact (PoC) Network. (GREPECAS Conclusion 14/14*)</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>AVSEC/COMM/5</u>	<u>AVSEC/COMM/6</u>

\* Draft Conclusion pre-approved by GREPECAS members.

3. **Priority**

- A** High priority tasks, on which work should be speeded up.
- B** Medium priority tasks, on which work should commence as soon as possible, but without detriment to priority **A** tasks.
- C** Tasks of lesser priority, on which work should commence as time and resources allow, but without detriment to Priority **A** and **B** tasks.

4. **Composition**

Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Guyana, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, United States, Venezuela, ACI, COCESNA, IATA, IFALPA and LACAC.

5. **Chairperson**

Chairman – Oscar Derby (Jamaica)  
Vice-Chairman – Eduardo Cerda Gómez (Chile)

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