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Agenda Item 5: Other Business

THE ASIAN SOCIETY OF AIR SAFETY INVESTIGATORS (AsiaSASI)

(Presented by the AsiaSASI)

SUMMARY

The AsiaSASI is the Asian regional chapter of the International Society of Air Safety Investigators (ISASI). It is established to promote aviation safety and strengthen the cooperation among air safety investigators and air safety investigation bodies within the Asian region.

This paper encourages States/Administrations in the Asian region, and their respective aviation organizations and air safety investigators, to join the ISASI which will enable them to automatically become AsiaSASI members. There is no separate membership fee for the AsiaSASI.

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 During the International Society of Air Safety Investigators (ISASI) Seminar in August 2007, many ISASI members in Asia showed interest in forming an Asian regional chapter of the ISASI, to be called the Asian Society of Air Safety Investigators (AsiaSASI).
- 1.2 The initiative was later taken forward by the Air Accident Investigation Bureau of Singapore in March 2009, when proactive steps were taken to approach a number of ISASI members in Asia to ascertain their interest in the formation of the AsiaSASI. The response was extremely encouraging. Eighteen (18) ISASI Corporate Members and four (4) ISASI Individual Members in Asia agreed to become the Founding Members of the AsiaSASI.
- 1.3 Through a Member Society Affiliation Agreement with the ISASI, the AsiaSASI was successfully formed in 2009. The affairs of the Society are governed by an agreed set of "*Bylaws*" and administered by the Executive Committee (EXCO), which comprises the President, Vice President and Secretary.

1.4 Members of the EXCO are elected through an open election process. Current members are as follows:

• President – Civil Aviation Department, Hong Kong Special

Administrative Region, China

• Vice President – Japan Transport Safety Board

• Secretary – Air Accident Investigation Bureau of Singapore

1.5 The EXCO members will hold office for two years and the term of office for the current members will end in September 2015.

1.6 The existing AsiaSASI membership list can be found in Attachment A to this paper.

2. **DISCUSSION**

- 2.1 The AsiaSASI is established to promote aviation safety and strengthen the cooperation among air safety investigators and air safety investigation bodies within the Asian region. Its main objectives are as follows:
 - To promote the free exchange of safety information and the sharing of experience on air safety investigation;
 - To establish the investigation resources network and relationship among air safety investigators and air safety investigation bodies in the region;
 - To strive for international recognition of the expertise and professionalism of air safety investigators; and
 - To develop the continual competence of air safety investigators.
- 2.2 To achieve these objectives, the AsiaSASI publishes e-Newsletters for the dissemination of information on air safety promotion and investigation related activities and initiatives of both international and regional bodies, such as ICAO, ISASI and other international and regional air safety investigation agencies, on a regular basis to enable members to keep abreast of the latest developments in the field.
- 2.3 To promote closer collaboration and the sharing of experience, the AsiaSASI also organises events, in the form of meetings, seminars and workshops, on a regular basis within the region. In particular, two successful AsiaSASI seminars/workshops were held in the city of Singapore and Taipei in 2012 and 2013 respectively, both with overwhelming participation and many useful exchanges. The third workshop will be held at the CAD Headquarters in Hong Kong, China on 29-30 May 2014. It is expected to be another successful event fostering strong bonds and collaboration amongst the AsiaSASI members, air safety investigators and air safety investigation bodies in the region.
- 2.4 These seminars and workshops are proven to be an effective platform for the AsiaSASI members to network, share ideas and foster cooperation in accident and incident investigation.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 Sharing a common goal of achieving safety improvement, air safety investigation bodies in the region must continue to work closely together to build a stronger network.
- 3.2 Members States / Administrations who are yet to be AsiaSASI members are invited to note the content of this paper and give consideration to joining the ISASI and becoming fellow members of the AsiaSASI. There is no separate membership fee for the AsiaSASI. This invitation is also extended to aviation organizations and their air safety investigators in the Asian region.

Attachment A AsiaSASI Membership Information

Exco Members:

President: Civil Aviation Department of Hong Kong Vice-President: Japan Transport Safety Board Secretary: Air Accident Investigation Bureau of Singapore

Corporate Members:

Air Accident Investigation Bureau of Singapore Air Accident Investigation Bureau of Mongolia Air Astana JSC
All Nippon Airways
Aviation Safety Council
Cathay Pacific Airways
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China Airlines
Civil Aviation Department of Hong Kong
Civil Aviation Authority, Macao
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Capt. Brian J. Greeves (Aviation Solutions Limited)
Ms Catherine Chan (Cathay Pacific Pte Ltd)
Capt David E. Newberry (Cathay Pacific Pte Ltd)
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Mr Fazal Alibaksh (GCAA, UAE)
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Mr Paul Wallace (Singapore Airlines Ltd)

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Japan Transport Safety Board
Korea Aviation & Railway Accident Investigation Board
Korea Air Force Safety Center
Middle East Airlines
Ministry of Transport of Israel
National Transportation Safety Committee of Indonesia
Papua New Guinea Accident Investigation Commission
PT. Merpati Nusantara Airlines
Qatar Airways
Republic of Singapore Air Force
Singapore Airlines
The Japanese Aviation Insurance Pool (JAIP)

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