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Subject: Seventh Meeting of the CAPSCA-Africa Project, and Training of CAPSCA Technical Advisors (Livingston, Zambia, 24-28 July 2017)

Action required: To note the invitation to the meeting and nominate participants.

Dear Sir/Madam,

At the kind invitation of the Civil Aviation Authority of the Republic of Zambia, the seventh Meeting of the CAPSCA-Africa Project, and Training of CAPSCA Technical Advisors will be held from 24 to 28 July 2017. The two events are jointly organized by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO).

I have the honour to invite your Administration/Organization to nominate two or more participants to these events. The main objective will be to facilitate the effective implementation of the ICAO/WHO requirements on the prevention and the management of public health events in the civil aviation sector.

The Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) outbreak has indicated the importance of aviation in managing public health emergencies of international concern and the need for CAPSCA meetings and training. Given the importance of these events, and considering that the outbreak still persists, we believe your participation will be of great benefit in improving your State's preparedness for a possible spread of EVD outbreak and for any future, as yet unknown, public health emergency.

The 24 to 28 July 2017 meeting will provide information on preparedness planning to participants in the form of updates on matters of particular public health importance in the region (such as EVD). It will also provide an opportunity for discussion, and address the ongoing management of CAPSCA Africa. The training event for Technical Advisors will focus on how to conduct a CAPSCA Assistance Visit. All are welcome to attend either or both events.

In nominating your participants, you may consider giving priority to the personnel in charge of preventing the spread of communicable diseases by air transport as well as those who have participated in previous CAPSCA meetings (for purposes of continuity). Participation of at least one delegate from your national public health authority and one from the aviation authority is encouraged. We request that the invitation is extend to stakeholders from airport operations, airlines, air navigation service providers and airport handling companies as their participation is important in such multi-sector, multi-stakeholder events.

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The meeting Attendance Notification Form, Work Programme and the Information Bulletin on hotels and entry requirements in Zambia will be communicated in due course. Participants will be required to complete the Attendance Notification Form to be sent to the addresses indicated on the Form before **30 June 2017**.

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely



for:

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Regional Director