



The UN Funded ICAO/WHO Ebola Aviation Action Plan project

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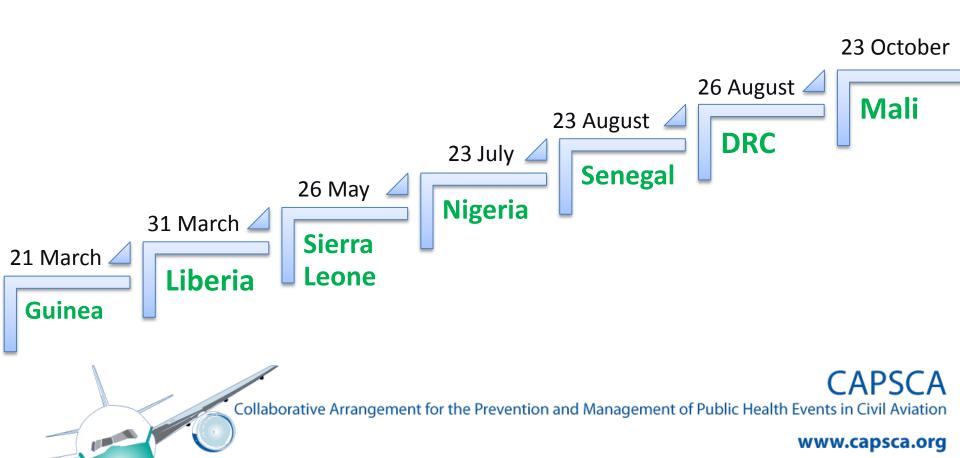








EVD Outbreak in Africa - 2014







EVD Outbreak in Africa

- → WHO has established an Emergency Committee (EC) on EVD and the WHO Director General announced on 8 August 2014 that the EVD outbreak in West Africa is a "Public Health Emergency of International Concern" (PHEIC) under the IHR 2005.
- → A member of ICAO was an advisor to the WHO Ebola Emergency Committee;
- Transport Task Force with membership from WHO, IMO, UNWTO, IATA, ACI, Cruise Lines International Association and International Chamber of Shipping.

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EVD Outbreak in Africa

- → ICAO, with IATA and ACI worked with the WHO and the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to assist with development of various aviation-related procedures and guidance on management of EVD in the aviation sector
- → ICAO has facilitated the lifting of restrictions on flights by some States; and has supported Ministerial Meetings on Ebola which resulted in declarations for States to avoid imposing restrictions

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on flights.





























EVD Outbreak in Africa

- → On 1 October 2014, the President of the ICAO Council chaired a meeting, attended by the ICAO Secretary General and representatives of African States and Organizations at ICAO Headquarters, in Montréal, Canada
- → The President of the Council summarized the main points of the discussion and on the basis of which an action plan was developed in collaboration with

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WHO.





























Rationale for the UN Funded ICAO/WHO Ebola Aviation Action Plan project

- → Joint ICAO/WHO assistance visits to States and international airports have been requested by States under the CAPSCA. These were under consideration but subjected to availability of funding;
- → ICAO has much experience in public health multi-sector preparedness planning and response in the aviation sector, through its CAPSCA programme. However, CAPSCA was not currently sufficiently funded to undertake the proposed work.

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The UN Funded ICAO/WHO Ebola Aviation Action Plan project



- → For the implementation of the Aviation Action Plan, ICAO submitted a project and obtained a grant from the United Nations Ebola Response Multi-Partner Trust Fund
- → A work plan was developed for 2015 including trainings (for the personnel of Aviation and Public health) and Assistance Visits to States prioritized by WHO

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The UN Funded ICAO/WHO Ebola Aviation Action Plan project



- → 20 States/Airports Assistance visits implemented since 2014
 - Uganda, Guinea Bissau, Côte d'Ivoire, Mali, Burkina Faso, Sierra Leone, Guinea, Ghana, Nigeria, Liberia, Benin, Togo, Mauritania, DR Congo, Gambia, Cameroon, Niger, Equatorial Guinea, Senegal and Cape Verde.
- → 5 Follow up AVs conducted in 2017
 - Sierra Leone, Liberia, Nigeria, Guinea and Mali.
- New technical advisors and a CAPSCA Regional Coordinator trained and/or qualified

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ICAO-WHO CAPSCA Training

(Dakar and Nairobi, March - April 2015)



- ★ Organized within the scope of the United Nations Ebola Response Multi-Partner Trust Fund and the ICAO/WHO Aviation Ebola Action Plan implementation project activities relating to the prevention and management of public health events
- ★ In collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) of the United States
- ★ Focus on the implementation of requirements for the aviation sector contained in the relevant ICAO Annexes and the WHO International Health Regulations (IHR 2005) as well as best practices developed by different organizations (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Airports Council International (ACI), International Air Transport Association (IATA), etc.)

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Conclusions

- ★ States need to prepare for widespread spread of communicable diseases
- ★ CAPSCA has a programme that is already in place to assist States develop and implement preparedness plans to manage and mitigate the threats
- ★ The UN Funded ICAO/WHO Ebola Aviation Action Plan project will end in July 2017
- ★ CAPSCA needs funds for the sustainability of the assistance provided to States under the UN funds.





























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