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Subject: Invitation to attend the:

- a) Sixth Aviation Safety Symposium
- b) Twenty-second Meeting of the Steering Committee of the Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Safety in Africa (AFI Plan);
- c) Fourth AFI Aviation Security and Facilitation Symposium; and
- d) Eighth Meeting of the Steering Committee of the Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Security and Facilitation in Africa (AFI SECFAL Plan); (Kampala, Uganda, from 14 to 17 May 2019)

Action required: To confirm participation and register online by 30 April 2019.

Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to invite you to the Sixth Aviation Safety Symposium; the Twenty- Second Meeting of the Steering Committee of the Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Safety in Africa (AFI Plan); the Fourth AFI Aviation Security and Facilitation Symposium; the Eighth Meeting of the Steering Committee of the Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Security and Facilitation in Africa (AFI SECFAL Plan), to be held in Kampala, Uganda, from 14 to 17 May 2019.

During the AFI Aviation week event, important issues will be discussed including implementation of ICAO Global Plans, implementation of Regional targets, and the outcome of the 13th Air Navigation Conference (ANConf/13) and the 2nd High-level Conference on Aviation Security (HLCAS/2) held in October and November 2018, in Montréal, Canada, respectively.

The details of the objectives of the meetings and criteria for participant eligibility are outlined in the Attachment to this letter. You are kindly requested to circulate this invitation to the appropriate entities within your State/Organization and to advise whether your State/Organization plans to participate in the above events by registering online on the events' website at https://www.icao.int/meetings/AFI-Aviation-Week-2019/Pages/default.aspx not later than 30 April 2019. The general information on the venue, local arrangements, preliminary agendas/programmes, documentation and presentations, will be provided in due course on the events' website. Kindly note that all the events will be conducted in both the English and French languages.

I strongly encourage participation of Directors General in these important meetings aimed at further developing the appropriate strategies and providing the necessary actions to support the enhancement of the aviation system in Africa.

For more information on the events, please contact the ICAO Western and Central African Regional Office (AFI Plan Secretariat) at **icaowacaf@icao.int** or the ICAO Eastern and Southern African Regional Office (AFI SECFAL Plan Secretariat) at **icaoesaf@icao.int**.

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

Fang Liu Secretary General

Enclosure:

— Programme of Meetings

ATTACHMENT to State letter M 17/2-IND/19/5

PROGRAMME OF SIXTH AFI AVIATION WEEK MEETINGS Kampala, Uganda from 14 to 17 May 2019

Sixth Aviation Safety Symposium – Tuesday, 14 May 2019

Objectives:	To review the status of implementation of the various Safety related ICAO Strategic
	objectives and safety initiatives for Africa: share initiatives to address emerging issues and
	new SARPs developments in relation to Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS)
	operations in AFI region, Aeronautical Information Management (AIM) implementation Go-
	Team; benefit of Global Aviation Safety Oversight System (GASOS); outcomes of the
	ANConf/13; implementation of the proposed new editions of GASP and GANP; share
	success stories and challenges, and agree on relevant strategies to further enhance safety in
	the region. Outcomes of the symposium will be considered by the Twenty-second Meeting of
	the AFI Plan Steering Committee for incorporation in the AFI Plan Work Programme.

- Participants: Directors General of Civil Aviation and aviation safety representatives of AFI Region Member States; and
 - Representatives from partner States, international and regional organizations, and industry.

Twenty-second Meeting of the Steering Committee of the Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Safety in Africa (AFI Plan) – Wednesday, 15 May 2019

Objectives: To review activities of the AFI Plan and in particular, the 2019/2020 work programme, implementation of projects; progress towards regional Safety and Air Navigation Targets; and the annual AFI Safety Goals. Relevant outcomes of the AFI Safety Symposium will be considered by this meeting for incorporation in the AFI Plan Work Programme. Participants: - AFI Plan Steering Committee Members; Directors General of Civil Aviation from AFI Region Member States; and Invited representatives of other Member States and international/regional organizations.

Fourth AFI Aviation Security and Facilitation Symposium – Thursday, 16 May 2019

Objectives: To review the status of implementation of the various Aviation security related ICAO Strategic objectives, Regional Aviation Security Initiatives for Africa, relevant strategies to further enhance security and address prevailing and emerging issues in the region. Also to be reviewed is the implementation of the GASeP approved in 2017; the implementation of the Windhoek regional targets and the outcome of the High level aviation Security conference held in November 2018 in Montreal. Outcomes of the symposium will be considered by the Eighth meeting of the AFI SECFAL Steering Committee for incorporation in the AFI SECFAL Plan Work Programme.

Participants: - Directors General/Senior Government officials of the appropriate authorities for Aviation Security and Facilitation from AFI Region Member States; and

- Invited representatives of partner States and international/regional organizations.

Eighth Meeting of the Steering Committee of the Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Security and Facilitation in Africa (AFI SECFAL Plan) – Friday, 17 May 2019

- *Objectives*: To review activities of the AFI SECFAL Plan and in particular, consider the relevant outcomes of the Fourth Aviation Security and Facilitation Symposium of the AFI Region, the report on alignment of the GASeP implementation to the AFI SECFAL Plan Work Programme, Proposed projects to assist States, outcomes of the High level aviation Security conference held in November 2018 in Montreal and the 2019/2020 AFI SECFAL Plan goals.
- *Participants:* AFI SECFAL Plan Steering Committee members;
 - Directors General/Senior Government officials of the appropriate authorities for Aviation Security and Facilitation from AFI Region Member States; and
 - Invited representatives of other Member States and international/regional organizations.

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