

COUNCIL—203RD SESSION
SECOND MEETING
(THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WEDNESDAY, 29 OCTOBER 2014, AT 1000 HOURS)

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS
(EXTRACTS)

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AFI Security/Facilitation Initiative (Subject No. 52)

13. The Council had for consideration: C-WP/14181 (with Blue rider), in which the Secretary General, in line with ICAO's Strategic Objective Security & Facilitation, proposed the establishment of an initiative focused on enhancing aviation security and air transport facilitation in Africa in a sustainable manner (AFI SECFAL Initiative); and a joint oral report thereon by the Committee on Unlawful Interference (UIC) and the Air Transport Committee (ATC). The AFI SECFAL Initiative had been unanimously supported by African States when it had been presented at the AFI Aviation Security Meeting (Dakar, Senegal, 28 May 2014). It had been subsequently endorsed by resolution at the 24th Extraordinary Plenary Session of the African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC) (Dakar, Senegal, 1-4 July 2014), at which time AFCAC Member States had, inter alia, further defined the said Initiative and requested the Organization to approve it as an ICAO programme. The UIC and the ATC recommended that the Council: take such action; and request that the Secretary General report on progress in implementing the AFI SECFAL Initiative during the next (204th) session.

14. The Council noted the joint UIC/ATC oral report. The Council then took the action proposed in the executive summary of C-WP/14181, as amended by the President of the Council in light of the discussion, and:

a) noted the aviation security and facilitation challenges facing African States and the renewed commitment proposed by the AFI SECFAL Initiative to achieve enhanced implementation as described in the paper;

b) approved the AFI SECFAL Initiative as an ICAO programme, taking into consideration the UIC's and ATC's comments as set forth in paragraph 2 of their joint oral report;

c) requested that the Secretary General report on progress in implementing the AFI SECFAL Initiative during the 204th or 205th session, as appropriate;

d) requested that the Secretary General consider replicating the AFI SECFAL Initiative in the other regions in collaboration with the ICAO Regional Offices and the regional civil aviation commissions; and

e) requested that the Secretariat, in coordination with the relevant panels, consider the feasibility of auditing all of the Standards contained in Annex 9 – *Facilitation* (as opposed to the current practice of auditing only the security-related Standards thereof) and to report thereon through the pertinent Committee(s).

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