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Ms. Angeline Simana is the Executive Director of the newly established Namibia Civil Aviation Authority in the Republic of Namibia. She holds an M. Phil (Transport and Logistics) Post-graduate Degree from the University of Stellenbosch, Western Cape Province, in the Republic of South Africa and an Undergraduate Bachelor's Degree; with majors in Economics and Management Science from the University of Namibia. She firmly believes that whatever one wants to become depends on 1st saying it to self and then work towards achieving it. Her life experiences have shaped her and continue to shape her for the enormous demands that come with building a sustainable civil aviation oversight system in Namibia.

She is a single mother of three and started her professional career with the Ministry of Works and Transport as a Transport Economist in 2000, subsequently promoted to Deputy Director Transportation Policy in 2006 and Director Transportation Policy and Regulation in 2007. Her appointment as the Director of Civil Aviation concurrently with that of the Director of Transportation Policy, marked one of the most significant opportunities for her professional growth, awareness of self and self-knowledge of her God-given propensity to influence her private and public life and workspace for the common good of society.

One of her most positive contributions was to steer Namibia's regulatory framework within a short period from a very passive self-regulatory civil aviation system to a relatively balanced and responsive aviation regulatory framework. Leveraging on the Political Will demonstrated by the Namibian government to gradually improved Namibia's responsiveness to its obligations under the Chicago Convention. She is determined to use the wealth of tools at her disposal and particularly ICAOs network of support offered to States to further propel the Namibian Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA) to a place of personal and professionally enriching rewarding place of work to the current and future aviation professionals.

Ms. Simana hopes to continue to work with the current generation of aviation professionals, the assistance of Regional and Multi-lateral Aviation Partners and the technical support from the International Civil Aviation Organisation to its Member States, by creating a civil aviation system that responds to the complexity and varying needs of industry. This is a rapidly changing business environment and the contribution of airlines by connecting with not less than 100,000 million flights globally, through airports, businesses, people and governments offers life-changing opportunities to us all. The new NCAA plays a vital role in ensuring that Namibia's tourism potential compliments governments enormous efforts in creating a civil aviation infrastructure that works for all.