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(NACC/DCA/5)**

Port-of-Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, 28 to 30 April 2014

Agenda Item 6: Port-of-Spain Declaration
**6.1 CAR Region Safety and Air Navigation Directors Meeting
(CAR/DCA/OPSAN) Results**

IATA'S SUPPORT FOR THE PORT-OF-SPAIN DECLARATION

(Presented by IATA)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	
<p>IATA congratulates the NACC States on the drafting of the Port-of-Spain Declaration. The principles and objectives found in the Declaration will become cornerstones for the regional implementation of the GANP and GASP priorities, and IATA fully supports its adoption.</p> <p>IATA suggests close collaboration through RASG-PA and GREPECAS, to ensure efficient implementation and close coordination with SAM Region</p>	
Action:	<p>Take note of IATA's support of the Bogota Declaration and commitment to its implementation;</p> <p>Take advantage of existing cross-regional working groups like GREPECAS and RASG-PA to ensure:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Alignment with GANP and GASP implementation framework;2. An efficient and harmonized implementation with the NACC region; and3. The best use of available resources within the two Regions to achieve the Port of Spain Declaration goals.
<i>Strategic Objectives:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safety• Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency
<i>References:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ICAO Doc 9750 - Global Air Navigation Plan• ICAO Doc 10004- Global Air Safety Plan

1. Introduction

1.1 After careful reviewing the Declaration that is scheduled to be signed at the Fifth North American, Central American and Caribbean Directors of Civil Aviation Meeting (NACC/DCA/5) in Port-of-Spain, IATA would like to congratulate ICAO and the NACC States on this important step in the direction of a performance based approach for implementation of safety and air navigation systems and processes.

1.2 The goals described in the document set ambitious targets in Safety, Air Navigation and Infrastructure and also establishes a foundation for the implementation of the Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP) and Global Air Navigation Plan (GANP) in the region.

1.3 IATA fully supports this declaration and is committed to work with ICAO and all NACC States to ensure all goals will be achieved.

2. Discussion

2.1 Considering the homogeneous traffic flow between the SAM and NACC Region, and the need to ensure an efficient and harmonized implementation aligned with the GANP and the GASP, IATA would like to suggest that the implementation plans to achieve the Declaration targets are coordinated through the existing ICAO cross-regional working groups like RASG-PA and GREPECAS.

2.2 We believe that this will not only ensure alignment with GANP and GASP implementation framework but will also guarantee the best use of available resources within the two Regions.

3. Suggested action

3.1 The Meeting is invited to:

- a) Take note of IATA's support of the Port-of-Spain Declaration and commitment to its implementation;
- b) Take advantage of existing cross-regional working groups like GREPECAS and RASG-PA to ensure:
 1. Alignment with GANP and GASP implementation framework;
 2. An efficient and harmonized implementation with the NACC region; and
 3. The best use of available resources within the two Regions to achieve the Port-of-Spain Declaration goals.