P/07 - NACC Regional Office 2021 Priorities and Projects

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✈ Post-COVID-19 Aviation recovery Activities

✈ OECS, Barbados and Bahamas- Priority States for USOAP/USAP Enhancement

✈ Haiti – Priority State for USOAP System development

✈ Safety Indicators and enhancement (operational Safety)

✈ NACC SAP effectiveness- State CAA Strength and Efficient SARP compliance

✈ USAP Target States for enhancement of their compliance

- Active Secretariat lead of GREPECAS
- PBN and ATFM leadership role
- Contingency leading role – Command Centre implementation
- AIG Strategy: Building national capacity and Regional Cooperation (GRIAA and CASSOS)
- Regional initiatives/NACC Assistance Projects like SOS and Harmonization of Regulatory Framework Projects
- Support to CARICOM/CASSOS

NACC Assistance Projects

✈ Currently, there are 9 assistance projects being conducted by the NACC Office (not TCB related), as shown in the table below:

	TITLE	OBJECTIVE	STATUS
1	Barbados safety oversight system enhancement	Provision of technical assistance to assist Barbados in the transition from its current organizational structure of the Civil Aviation Department (BCAD) under the Ministry of Tourism and International Transportation, into a new Aviation Authority, from the planning of changes in primary legislation, through the structuring of the new entity until its entry into operation. Similarly, the assistance also aims to support the establishment of strengthened aviation safety oversight system.	Pending implementation
2	ICAO Risk Assessments in the Caribbean Region	To adopt a more guided approach with specific missions to each targeted State, with the objective of completing a risk assessment and, at the same time, allows for the exchange of knowledge and good practice between aviation security experts and the harmonization of the methodology.	Implementation was interrupted due to COVID-19
3	Development of Caribbean Flight Procedures Programme (FPP)	Provision of the necessary training that State staff has to comply with, to create a mechanism to: develop designing national and regional procedures, increase the number of States procedures and their implementations and to complete the training requirements for their staff.	Implementation in progress

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4	Development of Caribbean Regional Accident Investigation Organization (RAIO)	The creation of a Regional Accident Investigation Organization (RAIO) for Caribbean Aviation Safety and Security Oversight System (CASSOS) member States and other CAR Region States	Under revision (It is necessary to reaffirm the commitment of the States)
5	Enhancement of CASSOS	To implement a set of actions to ensure the enhancement of CASSOS, as follows: • Multi-disciplinary (safety and security) gap analysis of the current situation in Member States and a development of an action plan: • CASSOS organizational study: staffing and procedural improvements; • Analysis of the legislative and regulatory framework for CASSOS; • Development of a structure and process for implementation of CASSOS' oversight activities for safety and security, which would include funding for initial oversight activities; • System and surveillance training system software and hardware infrastructure implementation within CASSOS, which could be used each Member State (if additional funding is made available); and • Funding to hire three inspectors for CASSOS for a period of two years with the commitment from CASSOS to fund three others inspectors, establishing the critical staffing for operation of CASSOS.	Planning (postponed by request of CASSOS)
6	Harmonization of legal Framework in CAR	To conduct the harmonization of the regulatory framework in the CAR Region, in order to make viable the establishment of a mechanism to share inspectors to conduct safety oversight activities, thus maximizing technical resources within the CAR Region.	Proposal

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7	General Guidelines and Good Practice on Passengers with Disabilities	To collect best practices regarding assistance to passengers with disabilities and elderly people, improve ICAO recommendations on this area and promote the establishment of minimum services at the airport and on board an aircraft.	Pending implementation
8	Strengthening of ECCAA	To strengthen the operations and performance of ECCAA as an RSOO, so that OECS States can benefit from safe air transport system in the region.	Implementation in progress (*probably will require more funding)
9	Improvement of the Safety Oversight System (SOS) Assistance to the NACC States	The objective of the project is to increase the level of Safety Oversight within the States and establish a solid and permanent monitoring system as part of the Systemic Assistance Programme (SAP) specially as pertains to focus on two key items: 1. Establishment of a fully compliant safety Oversight system under ICAO; and 2. Ensure the sustainability of stablished system (the goal is that the established system will be strong enough to withstand two weak administrations).	Proposal

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Any further questions or suggestions may be directed to NACC-TC@icao.int