

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION NORTH AMERICAN, CENTRAL AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN REGIONAL OFFICE

UPDATE ON THE SITUATION IN HAITI

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This briefing provides an update on the situation in Haiti since the last report posted on the ICAO Council website in February 2012 and provides preliminary recommendations resulting from the World Bank/ICAO Project mission conducted from 26 February – 1 March 2012, and the Third Haiti Civil Aviation Steering Committee (CASC/3) Meeting held on 12 April 2012.

Developments since February 2012:

- ICAO updated the Technical Cooperation Project documents (PRODOCs) based on the following information and submitted the documents for review by Office National de l'Aviation Civile (OFNAC) and Autorité Aéroportuaire Nationale (AAN) on 23 March 2012:
 - Results of ICAO Follow-up Mission (October 2011)
 - Updated Haiti Civil Aviation Development Action Plan (January 2012)
 - Revised total cost estimate: OFNAC USD \$33M; AAN USD \$197M
- The World Bank "Haiti Civil Aviation Sector Infrastructure and Institution Emergency Recovery Grant" Project, for which the Ministère des Travaux Publics, Transports et Communications (MTPTC) has contracted ICAO professional services, commenced with the evaluation mission completed in February 2012 and the preliminary report submitted to the World Bank (WB), MTPTC and OFNAC in March 2012. The evaluation confirmed all existing equipment included in the project scope required replacement.
- The World Bank had discussed the preliminary recommendations with OFNAC and a possible increase of the previous USD 3 Million budget with MTPTC. Three funding and associated revised project scope scenarios were developed for budgets of USD 3, 5 and 7 Million.
- The World Bank informed that the USD 5 Million budget was considered to be the most likely scenario. However, the World Bank also informed that due to insufficient budget the funding of Air Traffic Management (ATM) and other air navigation training was deleted from the project scope.
- In relation to the procurement mechanism, OFNAC recommended that the World Bank consider the ICAO procurement mechanism: Civil Aviation Purchasing Service (CAPS), which had been presented by ICAO at the CASC/2 Meeting.
- The Third Meeting of the Haiti Civil Aviation Steering Committee (CASC/2) was held in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, on 12 April 2012. The meeting report is available at: <u>http://www.mexico.icao.int/RegionalGroups/HaitiCASC/Meetings04-CASC3MeetingReport.pdf</u>.
- Noteworthy Government of Haiti (GoH) developments were reported as follows:
 - Introduction of international air passenger departure tax to fund aviation development
 - Recruitment of air traffic controllers for OFNAC

- Ongoing Cap Haïtien Airport Improvement and Secondary Surveillance Radar (SSR) Project
- On-going passenger terminal building rehabilitation
- Planned Air Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) rehabilitation and equipment
- Progress was reported by United States and several other organizations on completed and on-going assistance projects.
- ICAO presented the Haiti Civil Aviation Development Action Plan, which was reviewed and revised by the Meeting.
- Given the provision of AVSEC assistance by multiple donors including Canada, United States, ICAO, IDB, MINUSTAH, and OAS (CICTE), the Meeting established an Ad hoc group to discuss coordination between the States and Organizations to avoid duplication of assistance and to identify any gaps and potential providers to fill those gaps. The Ad hoc meeting participants agreed to share information from their respective administrations/organizations on AVSEC assistance requested by and provided to Haiti. ICAO committed to develop and circulate a proposed mechanism for sharing this information to the donors participating in the Ad hoc meeting for comment.

Next Steps:

- ICAO/World Bank project on-going ICAO submission of Evaluation Report and Technical Specifications and GoH/WB expedite procurement
- MTPTC, AAN and Donors to consider ICAO Procurement Mechanism CAPS
- GoH acceptance of ICAO Technical Cooperation Project documents
- GoH formal requests to United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH), United States Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), International Air Transport Association (IATA)
- ICAO follow-up with the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), GoH/MINUSTAH, GoH/IDB, IATA/WB
- ICAO to develop proposed AVSEC assistance coordination mechanism
- ICAO AVSEC survey mission 12 14 June 2012
- Next CASC meeting 24 July 2012

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