



MONTREAL RECOGNIZES ICAO'S PRESENCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS WITH SQUARE-VICTORIA METRO STATION RENAMING

Montréal, 14 November 2014 – To mark the beginning of Montréal activities surrounding the 70th anniversary of the signing of the Chicago Convention and the establishment of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), the City of Montréal and the Société de transport de Montréal (STM) announced the official renaming of *Metro Station Square-Victoria* to *Metro Station Square-Victoria-OACI*. A commemorative plaque to mark the importance of the presence of ICAO in Montréal was unveiled during the ceremony. It is expected to be installed in Metro Station Square-Victoria-OACI sometime this week.

Shown above during the plaque unveiling are the President of the ICAO Council, Dr. Olumuyiwa Benard Aliu (far right); the Secretary General of ICAO, Mr. Raymond Benjamin (third from left); Canadian Senator Mr. Leo Housakos (second from right); the Minister of International Relations and of the Francophonie of Québec, Madame Christine St-Pierre (second from left); the Mayor of Montréal, Mr. Denis Coderre (fourth from left); the President of the Société de Transport de Montréal (STM), Mr. Philippe Schnobb (third from right); and Mr. Frantz Benjamin, President of the Council of the City of Montréal (far left).

A specialized agency of the United Nations, ICAO was created in 1944 to promote the safe and orderly development of international civil aviation throughout the world. It sets standards and regulations necessary for aviation safety, security, efficiency, capacity and environmental protection, amongst many other priorities. The Organization serves as the forum for cooperation in all fields of civil aviation among its 191 Member States.

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