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Subject:

Virtual Meeting of Directors General of Civil Aviation of Western and Central African (WACAF) and Eastern and Southern African) Regions (22 June 2020) on the ICAO Council Aviation Recovery Task Force (CART) and take-off guidance document.

Action required: Register for participation

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to inform you that a virtual Meeting of Directors General of Civil Aviation for the WACAF and ESAF regions is planned on the **22 June 2020**, and your Administration is hereby invited to participate in the meeting. The ICAO Secretary General will grace and address the meeting.

I wish to refer to the State Letter EC 2/76-20/67-EC 6/3, AN 13/35 dated, 8 June 2020 forwarding the Report of the ICAO Council Aviation Recovery Task Force (CART), together with its Attachment Take-Off: Guidance for air travel through the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis, herewith attached for ease of reference.

The CART identified and formulated recommendations on strategic priorities and policies to assist states and industry in coping with the challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic in the immediate term including; facilitating the restart of aviation operations in a sustainable, safe, secure and orderly manner as soon as practicable taking into consideration the evolution of the COVID-19 pandemic and decisions by relevant National Public Health Authorities, and building a more resilient aviation system in the longer term.

In order to raise awareness and promote the implementation of the CART report, ICAO found it prudent to discuss with States and other stakeholders the harmonised approach to effectively plan and implement the guidelines and measures to mitigate the negative impacts of COVID-19, and to ensure smooth restart, recovery and resilience of the aviation sector.

It is highly recommended that the Directors General attend in person, and be accompanied by technical experts as necessary to take full advantage of the meeting that will be conducted in English and French languages with simultaneous interpretation services.

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Participants are to register online at the following website and are requested to do so not later than 19 June 2020:

Meeting URL: https://icao.zoom.us/j/93563762243

Meeting ID: 935 6376 2243

Password: 792946

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Barry Kashambo Regional Director

Attachments: CART Report+ Attachment