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Subject: Invitation to Operational Data Link Workshop (Accra, Ghana, 8-12 August 2016)

Action required: Please reply not later than 31st July 2016

Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to refer to Conclusion 10/01 of the Tenth Meeting on the improvement of Air Traffic Services over the South Atlantic FANS 1/A Interoperability Team (SAT/ FIT/ 10), held in Abidjan from 1 to 5 June 2015, that requested the ICAO WACAF Office to collaborate with the USA Federal Aviation Administration to organize a workshop on the Global Operational Data Link (GOLD) Manual and Performance Based Communication Surveillance (PBCS) for SAT States/ANSPs and also arrange for a suitable venue for the workshop.

I have the honor to inform you that upon the kind invitation of Ghana Civil Aviation Authority, the ICAO Regional Offices in Dakar, Lima and Paris and the US- FAA will jointly organize a workshop in Accra, Ghana from 8 to 12 August 2016 to which your Administration/Organization is invited to participate.

The main objectives of the meetings are to explore ways and means of further enhancing the provision of air traffic services in the South Atlantic region through coordinated implementation, interoperability and operation of datalink systems.

In this workshop the participants will have the opportunity to learn about the full range of operational services and functionalities available through integrated ADS-C/CPDLC systems, the Air-Ground datalink implementation within SAT area and prepare for the introduction of Performance-based Communication and Surveillance (PBCS).

States/ANSPs and industry are encouraged to send experts and decision makers who are involved in the planning, implementation, operations and regulatory approvals for the application of datalink in the provision of air traffic services. The workshop and documentation would be conducted in English.

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Your Administration is invited to:

a) Confirm by electronic mail (icaowacaf@icao.int; icaosam@icao.int) its intention to participate and accordingly provide the names and functions of its representatives by filling the Registration Form presented as Appendix A as soon as possible, but in any case not later than 31st July 2016; and

b) Prepare and send to any of the Regional Office electronic copies (in Word) of working and/or information papers (if any) to be presented on the basis of the attached Provisional Agenda. The working and/or information papers should be sent at your earliest convenience, but not later than 31 July 2016.

The provisional Programme for the workshop is attached herewith as Appendix B, Programme Objectives attached as Appendix B1 and the general Information Bulletin is presented as Appendix C.

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



Mam Sait Jallow
Regional Director

Attachments:

- A- Registration form
- B- Draft Programme
- C- Information Bulletin