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## COUNCIL — 225TH SESSION

### SECOND MEETING

(VIRTUAL MEETING ON MONDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2022, AT 1430 HOURS)

### SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

#### OPEN MEETING

#### Welcome to a new Representative

1. The Council warmly welcomed the newly appointed Representative of the United States (Ambassador Chesley Burnett Sullenberger).

#### Report on the outcomes of the Symposium on Assistance to Aircraft Accident Victims and their Families

2. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15309, which presented a report on the outcomes of the ICAO Symposium on Assistance to Aircraft Accident Victims and their Families (AAAVF 2021), held in Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain, from 1 to 3 December 2021. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Air Transport Committee (ATC), as well as a presentation by the Secretariat.

3. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) recalling its previous decision to officially designate 20 February as the international day for commemorating air crash victims and their families (C-DEC 224/5, refers), reiterated the importance of this occasion in remembering the victims and in expressing solidarity with their families, and pledged its commitment to continuing to work with Member States and stakeholders to enhance aviation safety and prevent such tragedies from happening in the future;
- b) expressed appreciation to the Government of Spain for its generosity in hosting the Symposium, and commended the Secretariat for their exceptional work in convening such a successful event, despite the ongoing challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic;
- c) endorsed the recommendations arising from the Symposium, as contained in the Appendix to C-WP/15309, and in so doing, acknowledged that some of these recommendations might require timely follow-up and action by the relevant ICAO working groups;
- d) requested that the Secretariat take appropriate action to disseminate the *Report of the Symposium on Assistance to Aircraft Accident Victims and their Families*, as widely as possible to all Member States, as well as to industry stakeholders ACI, CANSO, and IATA drawing their attention to relevant recommendations contained therein;

- e) also requested the Secretariat to prepare a working paper for presentation to the forthcoming 41st Session of the Assembly in which the Member States would be informed as to the recommendations contained in the report and the actions arising therefrom, including an update, as appropriate, to Assembly Resolution A39-27 *Assistance to victims of aviation accidents and their families*; and
- f) further requested that the Secretariat consider incorporating the Symposium's recommendations into the next triennium Business Plan, taking into account that developing the capacity required to implement these recommendations would necessitate additional resources being allocated specifically to this purpose, either under the regular programme budget or through voluntary contributions.

### **Economic impact of COVID-19 on air transport**

4. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15314, which presented an updated assessment of the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on air transport, including the operational and financial impacts for 2021, as well as the near-term outlook for 2022, taking into account the recent evolution of the pandemic. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Air Transport Committee (ATC).

5. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) took note of the information provided on the economic impact of the pandemic on aviation for the year 2021, as well as the near-term outlook for 2022; and
- b) commended the Secretariat's efforts in updating the analysis in order to support data-driven decision-making by Member States and the industry throughout the recovery phase.

### **Cost recovery for space weather information services**

6. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15345, which pursuant to paragraph 12 b) of C-DEC 223/6, presented an overview of the perspectives and positions of the space weather service providers concerning cost recovery for the provision of space weather information services after the first three years of operation. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Air Transport Committee (ATC).

7. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) confirmed that cost recovery should be applied globally to the provision of space weather information services by the ICAO-designated space weather centres;
- b) requested the relevant technical panels to conduct a detailed assessment of the cost associated to the provision of space weather information services by each provider, and identify the proportion of the cost allocable to civil aviation users with accompanying justification, and report this information to the Council, accordingly; and
- c) further requested that the work by the relevant technical panels should be accelerated to develop fair, transparent and equitable options for an appropriate cost recovery mechanism at the global level, in line with the applicable ICAO policies and guidance, for consideration by the Council, at a future session.

**Draft Assembly working paper – Developments pertaining to the ICAO Public Key Directory (PKD)**

8. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15321, which presented a draft Assembly working paper reporting on developments pertaining to the ICAO Public Key Directory (PKD), and outlining the intended PKD work programme for the next triennium. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Air Transport Committee (ATC).

9. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) reiterated that Assembly working papers should be action-oriented and concise in order to facilitate decision-making, and in this regard, underlined that where appropriate, a clear linkage should also be drawn between the work programme for the next triennium and the ICAO Business Plan;
- b) noted the importance of ensuring privacy and data protection, particularly in relation to the potential use of PKD data by private sector parties, and in this connection, requested that the Secretariat keep the Council apprised of future developments in this regard; and
- c) approved the draft Assembly working paper attached to C-WP/15321, subject to the editorial amendments requested by the ATC being reflected, and delegated authority to the President to thereafter approve the revised working paper on its behalf, for subsequent submission to the 41st Session of the Assembly.

**Draft Assembly working paper – Developments pertaining to the ICAO Traveller Identification (ICAO TRIP) Strategy**

10. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15322, which presented a draft Assembly working paper reporting on developments pertaining to the ICAO TRIP, and outlining proposed priorities for the ICAO TRIP Strategy, as well as the expected outcomes of its work for the next triennium. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Air Transport Committee (ATC).

11. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) recalled, as with the preceding item, its recommendation to the Secretariat to ensure that the working papers to the Assembly are as concise and as action oriented as possible, as well as including a clear linkage to Business Plan activities and the related key performance indicators (KPIs); and
- b) approved the draft Assembly working paper attached to C-WP/15322, subject to the editorial amendments requested by the ATC being reflected, and delegated authority to the President to thereafter approve the revised working paper on its behalf, for subsequent submission to the 41st Session of the Assembly.

**Any other business**

**Unannounced missile launches**

12. The Council considered this item on the basis of a statement delivered by the Representative of the United States concerning the most recent episodes of unannounced missiles being launched by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK).

13. Following consideration, the Council:
- a) recalled its previous decisions on this matter, and reiterated its concern at the most recent episodes involving unannounced missiles being launched by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), which continue to pose a serious risk to international civil aviation and which occurred in defiance of the relevant United Nations Security Council Resolutions, (1718, 2270 and 2321);
  - b) urged the DPRK to act in accordance with the *Convention on International Civil Aviation* (Chicago Convention) and to comply with applicable ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs); and
  - c) requested the Secretariat to continue to actively monitor the situation and to update the information previously circulated to the Council, in order to provide a historical compendium of these incidents, actions taken by ICAO in response, and an outline of potential options that might be available to the Council, with a view to this information paper being presented for consideration at a future session, while this item would also continue to be added to the work programme of the Council as required.

#### **Appointment of a Member on the Air Navigation Commission (ANC)**

14. It as noted that in the absence of comments by 17 January 2022, to the President of the Council's email dated 10 January 2022, Mr. Joon Soo Park, from the Government of the Republic of Korea, had been appointed to serve as Member on the Air Navigation Commission to succeed Mr. Dong-Cheol Jang, with effect from 1 January 2022.

#### **Appointment of a Member of the Committee on Aviation Environmental Protection (CAEP)**

15. It was noted that in the absence of comments by 16 December 2021, to the President of the Council's email dated 2 December 2021, and in accordance with the relevant provisions of the CAEP Directives, Mr. Olivier Meynot from France, had been appointed to serve as Member on the CAEP to replace Mr. Robert Mauri, with effect from 17 December 2021.

#### **Appointment of Members and Alternates of the Public Key Directory (PKD)**

16. It was noted that in the absence of comments by 22 December 2021, to the President of the Council's email dated 15 December 2021, and further to the recommendations of the PKD Board regarding the appointment and re-appointment of its Members and Alternates, the proposed composition of the PKD Board had been confirmed with effect 23 December 2021.

#### **Request from Observers to participate in closed meetings of the Council**

17. It was noted that pursuant to email notifications circulated by the President of the Council in December 2021 and January 2022, and in accordance with Rule 32 a) of the *Rules of Procedure for the Council*, Ms. Delphine Micheaux Naudet (European Union), Mr. Michael Rossell (ACI), Mr. Nico Voorbach (CANSO), Mr. Michael Comber (IATA), Mr. Andreas Meyer (IBAC), and Mr. Daniel Carnelly and Ms. Nina Brooks (ICCAIA), had been invited to participate as Observers during the 225th Session of the Council's consideration in closed session, of items related to aviation safety and security, as appropriate.

**Amendments to the Regional Supplementary Procedures (Doc 7030/5)**

18. It was noted that pursuant to PRES memorandum PRES SS/3255 dated 17 December 2021 concerning the approval of amendment to EUR/NAT-S 19-02 NAT 6, 7, 9 to Doc 7030/5, the President, on behalf of the Council and in accordance with the established procedure, had approved the amendments.

**Council working papers presented for information**

19. As the President of the Council had not received any requests to have the following information papers tabled for consideration, it was considered that the Council had noted the information provided therein:

- C-WP/15339 – *Financial situation of the Organization and level of the Working Capital Fund (WCF)*
- C-WP/15340– *Financial Report of the Edward Warner Award Fund*
- C-WP/15341 – *Review of the net base salaries of the President of the Council and the Secretary General and representation allowances of the President of the Council and the Secretary General*

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