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COUNCIL — 225TH SESSION

FIFTH MEETING

(HYBRID MEETING ON MONDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2022, AT 1430 HOURS)

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

CLOSED MEETING

Not available

OPEN MEETING

Draft Assembly Working Paper – Implementation of the Global Aviation Security Plan (GASeP)

7. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15318, which provided an overview of the activities undertaken to implement the Global Aviation Security Plan (GASeP). The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Aviation Security Committee (ASC).

8. Following consideration, the Council approved the draft Assembly working paper attached to C-WP/15318, subject to the amendments requested by the ASC being reflected, including revisions to better align the draft Assembly working paper with the outcomes of the Office of Internal Oversight (OIO) evaluation of the GASeP (C-WP/15329, refers), and delegated authority to the President of the Council to thereafter approve the revised working paper on its behalf, for subsequent submission to the 41st Session of the Assembly.

Update on ICAO Cybersecurity Activities

9. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15319, which provided an update on ICAO cybersecurity and cyber resilience activities between August and December 2021. The Council also had for consideration oral reports thereon from both the Air Navigation Commission (ANC) and the Aviation Security Committee (ASC).

10. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) took note of the information contained in C-WP/15319;
- b) welcomed the steps taken by the Secretariat to advance the Organization's work on cybersecurity, as described in the working paper, as well as the enhancements made to improve reporting on these activities to the Council by mapping the work undertaken to the Cybersecurity Action Plan, which has afforded a more comprehensive overview of the progress made;

- c) took note of the recent establishment of the Cybersecurity Panel, as well as the Panel's membership, as listed in the Appendix to the ASC oral report, and in this regard, took note that the Secretariat had already taken measures to encourage the participation of experts from underrepresented regions, in order to ensure geographical representation and gender balance, to the extent possible;
- d) further noted the progress made with respect to the development of the Concept of Operations for an International Aviation Trust Framework (IATF), including the launching of a joint stock-taking exercise by the ANC and Secretariat in order to provide a more holistic mechanism for coordinating and assessing the status of the work on the IATF; and
- e) recalled the decision previously taken on this item (paragraph 2 d) of C-DEC 224/4 refers), concerning the new governance arrangements for cybersecurity, and in this connection, requested the Secretariat to explore options that would facilitate the convening of the Ad hoc Cybersecurity Committee as soon as practicable, including in particular, the identification of resources to support this work.

Report on the activities of the Implementation Support and Development – Security (ISD-SEC) Programme

11. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15320, which provided a summary of the activities of the Implementation Support and Development – Security (ISD-SEC) Programme. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Aviation Security Committee (ASC).

12. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) took note of the achievements in relation to the ICAO *Year of Security Culture 2021* and the steps being taken to continue the important work on promoting security culture;
- b) also took note of the development and implementation of the iPack for *COVID-19 Aviation Security Quality Control Oversight* (AVSEC iPack) to assist States with their response to the COVID-19 pandemic;
- c) further noted the work undertaken with regard to the management of the Aviation Security Training Centre (ASTC) Network and the annual ICAO-sponsored aviation security training programme, as well as the Aviation Security Improvement Plans (ASIPs) and other assistance activities; and
- d) acknowledged the wider efforts to support aviation security assistance, training and capacity-building activities undertaken regionally and with partner organizations, including in the area of cybersecurity training.

Report on the Evaluation of the Global Aviation Security Plan (GASeP)

13. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15329, which presented the key findings, conclusions and recommendations arising from the Evaluation of the Global Aviation Security Plan (GASeP), which was carried out by the Office of International Oversight (OIO) between April and November 2021. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Aviation Security Committee (ASC).

14. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) took note of the information contained in C-WP/15329, as well as the Management Action Plan presented in the Appendix thereto, and welcomed the report's key findings, conclusions and recommendations, noting that the evaluation report could serve as a starting point for improving the implementation of the GAsEP and updating the Plan in the future;
- b) further took note of the interventions and comments made in the course of the consideration of this item, and in this connection, requested the Secretariat to reassess the implementation targets currently incorporated in the GAsEP, with a view to considering whether these are overly ambitious and would need to be revised to reflect more realistic targets and goals; and
- c) further noted that the implementation of the OIO recommendations would have associated resource implications, which would be further considered in the context of the deliberations of the next triennium budget.

Report of the Edward Warner Award Committee

15. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15336, which presented the recommendation of the Edward Warner Award Committee with regard to the 43rd Award. Notwithstanding the issuance of the working paper as "restricted", the Council agreed with a proposal of the President of the Council that the item could nonetheless be taken in open meeting.

16. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) agreed to approve the recommendation of the Edward Warner Award Committee, to bestow the 43rd Award posthumously upon Dr. Ángela Marina Donato, and in doing so, emphasized that the citation should capture the full scope of Dr. Donato's achievements in the course of her long and pioneering career;
- b) requested the Secretariat to ensure wide publicity of this year's Award in order to raise levels of awareness in the public and specifically as a means to inspire other women who have chosen to pursue a professional career in civil aviation; and
- c) agreed that in issuing a letter of invitation to the representative of Dr. Donato to attend the 41st Session of the Assembly so as to be presented with the Award on Dr. Donato's behalf, a copy of the invitation letter should also be provided to the Member State that had nominated Dr. Donato.

Any other business

Civil aviation operations in Europe

17. The Council noted a statement by the Secretary General informing of the recent announcements by several Member States in the European region concerning the closure of airports and airspace over Ukraine as well as neighbouring countries and the issuance of associated NOTAMs in this

regard. It was also noted that a number of countries in both Europe and elsewhere, had banned the operation of Russian registered aircraft in their airspace and that the Russian Federation had taken reciprocal action accordingly. It was understood that the ICAO Secretariat was in contact with partner entities of the United Nations system, including the World Food Programme, to facilitate the establishment of humanitarian assistance to people in affected areas. It was further noted that the ICAO Secretariat continued to actively monitor the situation, and was working closely with Member States and aviation partners to preserve flight safety in the region.

18. In this context, the Council also took note of the expression of regret by the President of the Council concerning the recent destruction in Ukraine of the Antonov AN-225, the world's largest aircraft, a replica model of which had been donated by the Government of Ukraine and is on display in the ICAO Museum. It was noted that the destruction of the aircraft represented an extraordinary loss for humanity and the aviation community especially since this was the only AN-225 in existence.

Gender Neutrality of the Rules of Procedure for the Commission of Experts of the Supervisory Authority of the International Registry (CESAIR) (Doc 9893)

19. It was noted that pursuant to PRES memorandum SS/3234 dated 29 October 2021, concerning the approval of amendments to the *Rules of Procedure for CESAIR* to ensure Gender Neutrality, the President, on behalf of the Council and in accordance with established procedure, had approved said amendments.

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

20. It was noted that in the absence of comments by 22 February 2022, to the President of the Council's email dated 15 February 2022, Mr. Luis Eduardo de França Scovino, Brazil, had been appointed to serve as Member on the ANC to succeed Mr. Mauro Carrinho de Moura, with effect from 24 February 2022.

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