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## **COUNCIL — 225TH SESSION**

### **THIRTEENTH MEETING**

**(HYBRID MEETING ON FRIDAY, 18 MARCH 2022, AT 1000 HOURS)**

### **SUMMARY OF DECISIONS**

#### **OPEN MEETING**

#### **Input by the Committee on Aviation Environmental Protection (CAEP) to the 2022 CORSIA Periodic Review**

#### **Update on the work on the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA)**

1. The Council agreed to consider these two items concurrently.
2. The first item was considered on the basis of C-WP/15326, which pursuant to C-DEC 224/10 and C-DEC 222/12, provided further CAEP input to the 2022 CORSIA periodic review. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Climate and Environment Committee (CEC).
3. The second item was considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15325, which provided an update on the work undertaken in relation to the implementation of the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA). The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Climate and Environment Committee (CEC).
4. Following consideration, the Council:
  - a) acknowledged that CAEP had provided technical inputs and analyses on all the requests of the Council in support of the 2022 CORSIA periodic review, as directed in paragraph 10 of C-DEC 222/12, within the required timeframe and on the basis of the data available;
  - b) expressed appreciation to the Secretariat for the efforts undertaken in relation to the implementation of CORSIA over the period 2020-2022, and welcomed the support provided to the ICAO Assistance, Capacity-building and Training for CORSIA (ACT-CORSIA) programme, with the contributions and engagement of Member States;
  - c) recognized that the wide implementation of CORSIA had enabled the high degree of coverage of annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from States being reported to the ICAO CORSIA Central Registry (CCR), and in this connection, emphasized that more

States should be encouraged to voluntarily participate in CORSIA as soon as possible;

- d) noted that the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and adjustment of the CORSIA baseline had affected the CORSIA pilot phase, during which no offsets are projected to be required, with a consequent impact on the phased implementation of the scheme as originally intended;
- e) further noted that CAEP inputs considered potential market distortions in 2030-2035, which should continue to be closely monitored, and in this connection, recognized the need for the regular and systematic assessment of CORSIA, such as updates on market and cost impacts to States, aeroplane operators and on international aviation, in each of the CORSIA periodic reviews to be undertaken by the Council every three years, starting in 2022, with the technical contributions of CAEP;
- f) agreed that further consideration is needed on the CORSIA baseline beyond the pilot phase and on the 2022 CORSIA periodic review, for conclusion by the 226th Session of the Council; and
- g) requested the Secretariat to take into due consideration the replies to State Letter ENV 6/6 – 21/33, as contained in Appendices A & B of C-WP/15325, as well as to propose to the Council modalities of safeguards referred to in operative clause 16 of Assembly Resolution A40-19, to be applied in case of potential adverse effects caused by CORSIA.

### **Update on information security, and information and communications technology management at ICAO**

5. The Council considered this item on the basis of an oral report delivered by the Secretary General, which presented an update on the progress made in the areas of information security and Information and Communications Technology (ICT) management at ICAO.

6. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) took note of the information presented in the oral report, particularly with respect to the steady progress made to advance the activities under the Information Security Roadmap, which should place the Organization on track to meet its target maturity level of 2.5 by the end of the implementation of the Information Security Roadmap;
- b) also noted the work undertaken with respect to the development of a digital transformation action plan, recognizing that the digital transformation of the Organization was needed to help drive the modernization of ICAO platforms and processes, which in turn would enhance efficiency, and support good governance and oversight of ICAO's work; and
- c) recalled its informal preliminary discussion on the ICT 5-year Strategic Plan, as well its previous decision on this subject (C-DEC 224/8, paragraph 11 d), refers), and in this regard, further noted that the updated ICT strategy, including the ICAO digital transformation action plan, which takes into account the views raised by the Council, as well as the recommendations of the UNICC, External Auditors (Swiss Federal Audit

Office) and the Evaluation and Audit Advisory Committee (EAAC), would be presented to the Council for consideration during the 226th Session, together with a detailed budget estimate.

#### **Update by the Small Group on IT in relation to the segregation of e-mail accounts**

7. The Council considered this item on the basis of an oral report presented by the Chairperson of the Small Group on IT.

8. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) took note of the information presented in the oral report, as well as the recommendations of the UNICC;
- b) concurred with the proposed contract management arrangement, whereby the ICAO Secretariat would serve as the contract administration manager for the common Delegations e-mail account, with the complete segregation of the technical, operations and management of the IT aspects to be provided solely by the UNICC;
- c) requested the Secretariat to convey the relevant information from the UNICC to all delegations with a view to finalising the total numbers and accounts for the common domain, and to work with UNICC in order to complete the migration of the Delegations' e-mails; and
- d) further requested the Secretariat to consider the concerns expressed by the Council on the need to ensure compatibility with existing working arrangements vis à vis ICAO platforms and systems in the transition to the new e-mail system.

#### **Work Programmes of the Council and its Committees for the 226th Session**

9. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15296, which presented the work programmes of the Council and its Committees for the 226th Session. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Committee on Governance (COG).

10. The Council took note the intention of the President of the Council and the Secretary General to undertake a review of the work programme and any associated procedures, in order to streamline the consideration of items by the Council, and further enhance the efficiency of the Council and its subsidiary bodies.

11. The Council agreed that the following items should also be reflected in the work programme for the 226th Session:

- a) "Unannounced missile launches", to be presented as an information paper, consistent with the Council's previous decision on this matter (C-DEC 225/2, refers); and
- b) "Update on issues relating to the investigation into anonymous e-mail messages", on the understanding that specific aspects of this item pertaining to the downloaded data only would be addressed within the scope of item 53, *Update on information security and information, communications and technology management at ICAO*, and pursuant to the Council's previous decision on this matter (C-DEC 224/11, refers).

12. The Council further agreed to the proposed amendments to the COG work programme for the 226th Session as outlined in the COG oral report, while noting that following the COG's consideration of C-WP/15296, the Climate and Environment Committee (CEC) had since approved its work programme for the 226th Session, as reflected in Appendix D to C-WP/15296, without modification.

13. Subject to the above outlined amendments, the Council approved the Work Programme of the Council and its Committees as presented in C-WP/15296. It was also understood that the decisions taken by the Council over the course of the current Session that affect the Work Programme for the 226th Session in terms of supplementary items, amendments to existing items, or deferrals of items, and that are not currently reflected, would be incorporated in a revised version of C-WP/15296, which would be issued in due course.

14. The Council also noted the proposed list of informal briefings and informal meetings to take place during the 226th Session, as appended to the COG oral report, and in this connection expressed appreciation for the offer by the Representative of Saudi Arabia to sponsor a briefing on the Circular Carbon Economy and its connection to aviation. Furthermore, it was agreed that all briefings should preferably be scheduled during the Committee phase of the session and not the Council phase.

15. The Council further agreed that as far as practicable, meetings of the Committees should occur during the Committee phase of the session and not during the Council phase. With respect the schedule for the 226th Session, it was understood that as 18 April, 23 May and 24 June 2022 were public holidays in Québec, no Council or Committee meetings should be scheduled on those dates. Likewise, no meetings would be scheduled on 3 May 2022 since this was Eid al-Fitr. In addition, the Council was informed that there would be need for an additional meeting of the Council during the 226th Session, in order to consider the outcomes of the High-level meeting on LTAG, which would likely be scheduled during the final week of August 2022.

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