

COUNCIL — 231ST SESSION

SIXTH MEETING

(COUNCIL CHAMBER, WEDNESDAY, 20 MARCH 2024, AT 1000 HOURS)

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

OPEN MEETING

Recommendations of the Committee on Joint Support of Air Navigation Services related to Items Under the Danish and Icelandic Joint Financing Agreements Reviewed During the 231st Session

- 1. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15560 which presented the recommendations of the Joint Support Committee (JSC) on items under the Danish and Icelandic Joint Financing Agreements.
- 2. Following consideration, the Council:
 - a) approved the actions recommended by the JSC, as outlined in the Executive Summaries of JS-WP/2155 and JS-WP/2156; and
 - b) reiterated the importance of ensuring sufficient detail and consistency in the financial figures presented in future such reports.

Cost Recovery for the Provision of Space Weather Information Services

- 3. The Council considered this item on the basis of an oral report presented by the Chairperson of the Small Group on Cost Recovery for the Provision of Space Weather Information Services (SWIS). The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Air Transport Committee (ATC).
- 4. Following consideration, the Council:
 - a) recalled its earlier decision on this subject (C-DEC 230/5, refers), and in doing so noted the progress made by the Small Group to date, as reported in its oral report;
 - b) further noted the comments made by the Chairperson of the SWIS in relation to the status of the current operational arrangements for the provision of space weather information services, while at the same time acknowledging that further consideration of these issues would be required;
 - c) invited the Small Group on SWIS to continue to advance its work, particularly with

- respect to the application of ICAO key charging principles, as contained in *ICAO's Policies on Charges for Airports and Air Navigation Services* (Doc 9082), to the cost recovery of the global space weather information services; and
- d) requested the Small Group to continue to report on its progress to the Council, through the ATC, and for the next report in this regard to be presented during the 232nd Session.

Proposal to convene a High-level event on Aviation Security in Muscat

- 5. The Council considered this item on the basis of an oral report presented by the Secretary General, together with an oral report from the Aviation Security Committee (ASC), regarding options for convening a high-level event on aviation security in Muscat, Oman.
- 6. Following consideration, the Council:
 - a) took note of the information contained in each of the oral reports, including in particular, the Secretariat's analysis of the feasibility of convening a high-level event on aviation security and related resource implications for the Organization, and in that connection, agreed with the Secretariat's recommendation to organize a High-level Ministerial segment during the 2024 ICAO Security Week, in lieu of a High-level Aviation Security Conference as had been initially proposed by the ASC;
 - b) noting that the initially proposed dates of the 2024 ICAO Security Week overlapped with those of the 59th Asia and Pacific (APAC) Region Directors General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) Meeting, agreed that with a view to facilitating the participation of high-level officials in the Ministerial segment, the 2024 ICAO Security Week should be convened in the first half of December 2024, it being understood that following additional consultations, the Council would be informed of the exact dates at a subsequent meeting of the current session (C-DEC 231/7 refers);
 - c) noted that there may be a need to establish a Small Group to progress the work to prepare the Ministerial Declaration to be adopted during the Ministerial segment, it being understood that the ASC would consider this matter further during the Committee phase of the 232nd Session; and
 - d) expressed its gratitude to the Government of Oman for its generosity in hosting the 2024 ICAO Security Week in Muscat, and for showing such flexibility in accommodating the changes to the schedule, while also welcoming the continued engagement of Oman with ICAO to ensure the success of this event.

ICAO's leadership in economic development of air transport

- 7. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15559, which pursuant to C-DEC 229/1, provided an update regarding the work of the Council Small Group on ICAO's Leadership in Economic Development of Air Transport (SGED). The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Air Transport Committee (ATC).
- 8. Following consideration, the Council:
 - a) expressed its appreciation to the Small Group for the work carried out thus far, and welcomed the findings and observations of the SGED as reflected in C-WP/15559;
 - b) invited the SGED to continue to progress the next phase of its work by conducting a

more in-depth examination of the key issues identified by the SGED's initial analyses, including in relation to:

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- the identification of relevant United Nations agencies and possible areas of cooperation with ICAO, to ensure that the Organization benefits positively from such collaborations, and that such partnerships contribute effectively to the achievement of ICAO's strategic objective relating to the Economic Development of Air Transport;
- ii. strengthening engagement with ICAO Member States with respect to ICAO's leadership role in the economic development of air transport, taking into account the comments of the ATC in this regard, as contained in paragraph 3 b) of its oral report;
- iii. the issue of sustainability, taking into consideration that economics was the third pillar of the concept of sustainable development of air transport, alongside the social and environmental pillars; and
- c) underscored that the input of the SGED should be taken into account in the development of the ICAO Strategic Plan 2026 2050.

Any other business

Accident at Haneda International Airport in Tokyo, Japan, on 2 January 2024

- 9. The Council took note of the information presented by the Representative of Japan regarding the recent runway collision that occurred at Haneda International Airport in Tokyo, Japan on 2 January 2024, involving Japan Airlines (JAL) Flight 516 and a Japan Coast Guard aircraft. It was understood that an informal briefing of the Council on this same subject would be organized during the 232nd Session. It was also noted that in accordance with the requirements outlined in Chapter 6 of Annex 13 to the *Convention on International Civil Aviation* (Chicago Convention), the preliminary accident report by the Japan Safety Board would be shared with the Organization, following which there would be an opportunity to assess whether there were any implications for ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs).
- 10. The President, on behalf of the Council, expressed his sincere condolences to the families of the five victims aboard the Japan Coast Guard aircraft who lost their lives in this tragic accident.

Aviation occurrence in Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

11. The Council took note of the statement presented by the Minister of Transport of Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), as well as the subsequent comments made in relation thereto, and in doing so, encouraged the Member States involved to maintain an open dialogue while exploring all available options and continuing all efforts to resolve the matter through amicable consultations. It was noted that the intervention by the Minister would be reported in the minutes to this meeting (C-MIN 231/6 refers).

New Member from Ghana to CAEP

12. In accordance with paragraphs 4.1.5 and 4.2.2 of the CAEP Directives, the Council reviewed the nomination from Ghana of a new CAEP Member, on the basis of the e-mail circulated by the President of the Council dated 23 February 2024.

C-DEC 231/6

13. Following consideration, the Council appointed, with immediate effect, Mr. William G. Agyare to serve as the new CAEP Member representing Ghana to CAEP.

Report of the Small Group on Lessons Learned from the 41st Assembly

14. The Council took note of the information presented by the Chairperson of the Small Group on Lesson Learned from the 41st Assembly regarding the work undertaken by the Small Group thus far. It was understood that a more detailed report would be presented to the Council during the 232nd Session, as well as to the 2024 Council Off-site Strategy Meeting (COSM).

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