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COUNCIL — 232ND SESSION

FOURTH MEETING

(COUNCIL CHAMBER, WEDNESDAY, 12 JUNE 2024 AT 1000 HOURS)

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

OPEN MEETING

Mid-triennial review of the implementation of Resolutions and decisions of the 41st Session of the Assembly

1. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15600, which presented an update on the status of implementation of actions arising from the Resolutions and decisions adopted by the 41st Session of the ICAO Assembly (A41), taking into consideration developments relating to the ongoing reprioritization exercise of the 2023-2025 ICAO Business Plan. The Council also had for consideration oral reports thereon from the Air Navigation Commission, the Committee on Governance, the Finance Committee, the Technical Cooperation Committee, and the Climate and Environment Committee, as well as a joint oral report from the Air Transport and Aviation Security Committees.

2. In its consideration of the information presented, the Council noted, with appreciation, the actions carried out by the Secretariat to date in order to implement the Resolutions and decisions arising from the 41st Session of the Assembly, as well as the linkages to the seven Priority Focus Areas (PFAs) identified in the context of the reprioritization of the activities included in the 2023-2025 Business Plan. The Council also took note of the clarifications provided by the Secretariat to the subsidiary bodies of the Council in this regard, as reported in their respective oral reports.

3. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) noted that there remained a large number of actions which were still pending the identification of resources, including actions associated with the Priority Focus Areas (PFAs); and in this regard, requested that the Secretariat give further consideration to defining the scope of these PFA actions, together with the level of resources required to support these priority activities in the context of the preparations of the next triennium Budget and Business Plan, ongoing discussions regarding the sustainable financing of the ICAO Budget, and the ICAO long-term Strategic Plan, while underlining the need to ensure alignment between the Business and Strategic Plans, Global Plans and the PFAs;
- b) recognized that the mid-triennium review was essential in providing transparency in relation to those activities which were at risk of not being achieved during the triennium due to insufficient resources, and in that connection, acknowledged that this review could serve to guide resource mobilization efforts, the internal transfer of resources and re-allocation of surplus funds, so to ensure that the necessary resources

were allocated to the high priority activities;

- c) recommended that the progress made with respect to the implementation of Assembly Resolutions and decisions be integrated and reported to the Assembly within the context of the Annual Reports of the Council, as appropriate;
- d) endorsed the recommendations proposed by the Air Navigation Commission and Council Committees, as indicated in their respective oral reports, and accordingly requested that these views be taken into account by the Secretariat in any subsequent reviews; and
- e) took note of the intention of the Secretariat to explore the feasibility of using a digital platform as a more effective means to report on the progress achieved in the implementation of Assembly Resolutions and decisions throughout the triennium.

Draft Provisional Agenda for the 42nd Session of the ICAO Assembly (2025); site and date; and invitation to observers

4. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15576, which presented for the Council's preliminary review the provisional agenda for the 42nd Session of the ICAO Assembly, as well as a proposal concerning the site and date, and the list of organizations to be invited as observers. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Committee on Governance (COG).

5. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) agreed, in principle, to the draft provisional agenda as contained in C-WP/15576 and as amended by the COG, it being understood that the draft provisional agenda would be referred to the Air Navigation Commission and Council Committees for further consideration and review during the Committee Phase of the 233rd Session, together with views expressed during the Council discussions on whether additional items should be included on the basis of expected outcomes resulting from amended or new Resolutions. In particular:
 - i. whether separate agenda items were needed under the Executive Committee in relation to the existing Assembly Resolutions on resource mobilization and voluntary funds, gender equality, Next Generation of Aviation Professionals (NGAP) initiative, UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of ICAO;
 - ii. whether the agenda proposed for the Economic Commission should revert to an expanded format, consistent with previous Assembly Sessions; and
 - iii. whether the item merging the USOAP-CMA and USAP-CMA, should be considered under the Executive Committee or retained under the Technical Commission as currently proposed;
- b) confirmed that the Security and Facilitation agenda items should be retained together under the Executive Committee;
- c) requested that the description of agenda item X6: "Environmental Protection – International Aviation and Climate Change", be amended to include specific reference to the roadmap for the implementation of the outcomes arising from CAAF/3, namely, the ICAO Global Framework for Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAF), Lower Carbon Aviation Fuels (LCAF) and other Aviation Cleaner Energies;

- d) decided to establish a Small Group of the Council on the social dimension of sustainability in civil aviation (SGSDS) in order to clarify whether the item should be added to the agenda and what actions would be expected of the Assembly on such an item; and in that connection, agreed to delegate authority to the President of the Council in order to determine the composition of the Small Group, on the understanding that due consideration would be given to ensuring equitable gender and geographical representation;
- e) took note of the comments expressed regarding how to improve the way in which the financial implications of the Resolutions and decisions adopted over the course of the Assembly are considered vis-à-vis the approved Budget, and in this connection, suggested that one option could be for this to be addressed through supplementary guidance information to be provided to Member States to clarify how new proposals would be considered in the context of the Assembly Session;
- f) further agreed that the tentative dates of the 42nd Session of the Assembly should be from Monday, 22 September to Friday, 3 October 2025 at ICAO Headquarters in Montréal, Canada, it being understood that a final decision on the dates would be taken during the 233rd Session; and
- g) also agreed that invitations to attend the Assembly as observers should be extended to the entities listed in paragraph 4.2 and Appendices B and C to C-WP/15576, noting that any additional revisions in this regard, including the addition of the International Solar Alliance and the Global Biofuel Alliance as agreed by the COG, would be reflected in a subsequent iteration of this working paper.

Any other business

Update on gender equality

6. The Council took note of the information provided by the Chairperson of the Small Group on Gender regarding the progress made by the Small Group to advance its work, and the next steps to be undertaken in this regard.

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