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## Agenda Item 8: Statements by delegations of Member States

## STATEMENT BY ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN

(Presented by Mr. mohamadybakhsh, the Head of the Delegation of I. R. of Iran)

Mr. President, Mr. Secretary General, Distinguished delegates, ladies and gentlemen!

On behalf of the Islamic Republic of IRAN, I am pleased to welcome all the participants and observers to the 41st ICAO Assembly and once again express the hope that our work will take place in a spirit of friendship and mutual understanding, cooperation and mutual support.

Based on the initial mission of the Chicago Convention, maintaining friendship and understanding between the nations and peoples of the world leads to the development of international civil aviation and the establishment of a safe and secure transportation system.

In the meantime, due to political or other goals, the enforcement of some sanctions has put pressure on some countries, which has led to the creation of safety concerns in civil aviation. We all know that the goal of the Chicago member states is the safe development of air transportation based on equal opportunities and without discrimination, in a healthy and economical manner. Therefore, our request to ICAO member states is to prevent destructive and discriminatory actions in the aviation industry.

Our aviation industry, like the rest of the world, was affected by COVID Pandemic However, despite the restrictions and other sanctions on our country's industry, we were able to use all our strength and effort towards the health of our people.

On the other hand, with the aim of improving the conditions caused by COVID pandemic, we need ICAO's support for the development of air transport.

**Regarding the ICAO Strategic Objective,** In the past weeks, Iran's aviation industry in the Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programs - Continuous Monitoring Approach (USOAPCMA) was audited by ICAO auditors with the aim of evaluating the safety oversight, and fortunately, despite the restrictions that exist

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for our industry by some countries, IR.IRAN has Effective Implementation in the eight Critical Elements of its aviation safety system.

Finally, on behalf of the government of the Islamic Republic of Iran as one of the first signatories of Chicago convention and as the authority of IR civil aviation industry, I have this expectation from all member state of Chicago convention to take steps in fair and equal conditions without discrimination, with the aim of orderly, secure and safe development of aviation.

Our expectation is the expansion of cooperation and coordination between the states and the organization in accordance with ICAO's goals and policy in the interests of civil aviation and the absence of political abuse of the position of this organization.

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