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## PLENARY

Agenda Item 8: Statements by delegations of Member States

## STATEMENT BY PALAU

(Presented by Palau)

Madam President,

Mr. Secretary-General,

Honorable Ministers, Distinguished Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen.

It gives me the great honor to address the 41st Session of the ICAO Assembly on behalf of the Republic of Palau.

Madam President,

The world is now transitioning into the post pandemic. It is essential to promote the reconnection of the world through the recovery of civil aviation by the participation of all.

To achieve a successful recovery, ICAO must be inclusive of aviation networks from small developing island states like Palau, to more developed island nations such as Taiwan. The Taiwan CAA manages airspace alongside some of the most frequently travelled networks in Asia Pacific.

As the demand for travel increases the challenge of airspace management escalates. Working together to mitigate the challenges of reconnecting safely is all our responsibility. Together the world can ensure a safe transition back into a robust aviation economy through sharing, developing, and improving together.

Finally, as we reconnect, we must also continue to embrace new ideas to help mitigate the threat of climate change caused by aviation. Palau supports the development of new technologies that not only will reduce emissions but will also drive down the cost of aviation in small island states like Palau.

I thank you Madam President.

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