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**Subject:** Invitation to attend the Africa-Indian Ocean (AFI) Aviation Security and Facilitation (SECFAL) Initiative and its First Steering Committee Meeting, the Fifteenth Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Safety in Africa (AFI Plan) Steering Committee Meeting, the Second Africa-Indian Ocean (AFI) Aviation Safety Symposium, and the Africa-Indian Ocean (AFI) Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF) Meeting (Maputo, Mozambique, 18 to 21 May 2015)

**Action required:** Register online by 17 April 2015

Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to invite you to the Africa-Indian Ocean (AFI) Aviation Security and Facilitation (SECFAL) Initiative and its First Steering Committee Meeting, the Fifteenth Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Safety in Africa (AFI Plan) Steering Committee Meeting, the Second Africa-Indian Ocean (AFI) Aviation Safety Symposium, and the Africa-Indian Ocean (AFI) Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF) Meeting to be held in Maputo, Mozambique, from 18 to 21 May 2015.

The programme of meetings and their objectives and criteria for participant eligibility are outlined in the Attachment. You are kindly requested to circulate this invitation to the appropriate entities within your State and to advise whether your State/Organization plans to participate in the above events by registering online on the event website at <http://www.icao.int/ESAF/AFI-Aviation-Week/> no later than **17 April 2015**. The related venue, general information, preliminary agendas/programmes, documentation and presentations will be provided in due course on the events website. Kindly note that all the events will be conducted in both English and French languages.

I will be in Maputo for the events, to which Representatives on the ICAO Council of the AFI Region have also been invited, and I strongly encourage you to participate in these important meetings aimed at developing the appropriate strategies and providing the necessary support towards the enhancement of the aviation system in the AFI Region.

For more information on the events, please contact the ICAO Eastern and Southern African Regional Office at [icaoesaf@icao.int](mailto:icaoesaf@icao.int) or the ICAO Western and Central African Office at [icaowacaf@icao.int](mailto:icaowacaf@icao.int).

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Raymond Benjamin  
Secretary General

**Enclosure:**

Programme of Meetings – Africa-Indian Ocean (AFI) Region

**ATTACHMENT** to State letter AN 20/7-IND/15/8

**PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS – AFI REGION**

**Maputo, Mozambique, 18 to 21 May 2015**

**Monday, 18 May                    AFI SECFAL Initiative and Steering Committee Meeting**

*Objective:*        To consider the programme document of the AFI SECFAL Initiative, to note the AFI SECFAL Steering Committee Terms of Reference, and to participate at the first meeting of the Steering Committee.

*Participants:*    - Directors General/Senior Government officials of the appropriate authorities for Aviation Security and Facilitation from AFI Region Member States; and  
- Invited representatives of other Member States and international/regional organizations.

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**Tuesday, 19 May                    Fifteenth Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Aviation Safety in Africa (AFI Plan) Steering Committee Meeting**

*Objectives:*        To review activities of the AFI Plan work programme and in particular the status of implementation of the Abuja Safety Targets and 2015 Goals.

*Participants:*    - AFI Plan Steering Committee Members;  
- Directors General of Civil Aviation from AFI Region Member States; and  
- Invited representatives of other Member States and international/regional organizations.

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**Wednesday, 20 May -            Second AFI Aviation Safety Symposium  
Thursday 21 May (a.m.)**

*Objectives:*        To review the status of implementation of the various ICAO safety initiatives for Africa, share success stories and challenges, and agree on relevant strategies to further enhance safety in the region.

*Participants:*    - Directors General of Civil Aviation and aviation safety representatives of AFI Region Member States; and  
- Representatives from partner States, international and regional organizations, and industry.

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**Thursday, 21 May (p.m.)        AFI Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF) Meeting**

*Objectives:*        To present the progress report on the establishment and implementation of the AFI Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF) and discuss next steps.

*Participants:*    - Directors General of Civil Aviation of AFI Region Member States; and  
- Representatives from partner States, international and regional organizations, industry, and public and private entities.

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