COMPREHENSIVE REGIONAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR AVIATION SECURITY AND FACILITATION IN AFRICA (AFI SECFAL PLAN)

THIRD AFI SECFAL PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
(Malabo, Equatorial Guinea 1 July 2016)

(Presented by AFI SECFAL Plan Secretariat)

Agenda Item 2: Outcomes of the first Aviation Security and Facilitation Symposium, held on 27 June 2016, Malabo, Equatorial Guinea

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This discussion paper provides the AFI SECFAL Steering Committee Meeting with information on the report on the Regional Aviation Security and Facilitation Symposium held on 27 June 2016 in Malabo, Equatorial Guinea during the ICAO AFI Week.

Action: *The meeting is invited to:*
   a) Adopt the report on the Aviation Security and Facilitation Symposium and consider integrating its recommendations into the AFI SECFAL Plan Work Programme;
   b) Instruct the Secretariat to develop a Collaborative Implementation Plan (CIP) to monitor the outcomes of the symposium; and
   c) Give Direction as may be necessary on modalities and structure of future aviation Security and Facilitation symposiums.

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1. BACKGROUND

1.1   The first meeting of the AFI SECFAL SC held on 18 May 2015, in Maputo, Mozambique, decided that an analysis of the aviation security and facilitation training needs be carried out in all African States, the results of which should be presented to the SC meeting.

2. PERFORMANCE OF AVIATION SECURITY AND FACILITATION IN AFRICA

1.2   In order to assist in addressing the challenges the Africa-Indian Ocean (AFI)

Region is facing as shown by ICAO USAP audit results, as well as facilitating a successful implementation of the AFI SECFAL Plan and Windhoek Declaration and Targets.

The Symposium:

1. Call upon States to accept the schedule of ICAO annual USAP –CMA audits.

2. Call upon States to develop their Corrective Action Plan (CAP) within the required timeline and implement the recommendations of the audit in a timely manner;

3. Recommend ICAO, in the framework of the AFI SECFAL Plan, to consider availing some components of USAP audit results for the purposes of analyses of States' needs and challenges;

4. Call upon African States to increase cooperation and collaboration among themselves, including sharing information on success stories in the implementation of aviation security and facilitation related SARPs and USAP – CMA corrective action plans, towards enhancing the desired level of performance in the region;

5. Call upon the AFI SECFAL Plan Steering Committee to establish an Action Plan to implement the Windhoek 2016 Ministerial Declaration and Targets to enhance aviation security and facilitation in Africa. This mechanism should include continuous monitoring and assessment of the level and ability of African States to implement the set objectives and targets. ICAO in collaboration with AFCAC establish detailed Action Plan for the realization of the Targets;

6. Call upon African States, Partner States, organizations and industry to coordinate their activities towards effective implementation of aviation security and facilitation requirements within the AFI SECFAL Framework.

3.   REPORT ON THE OUTCOME OF THE HIGH LEVEL MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE, WINDHOEK, NAMIBIA 4 TO 7 APRIL 2016

The Symposium:

1. Urged African States to enhance their respective and joint commitments to the implementation of the Windhoek Declaration and associated Security and Facilitation targets;

2. Encouraged all stakeholders to create increased awareness on the objectives and activities and support to AFI SECFAL Plan.

4. **AVIATION SECURITY THREAT AND RISK ASSESSMENTS SUPPORTING AFRICAN CAPABILITY**

The Symposium:

1. Urged States to develop and implement national Risk assessment tools ; and consider to use the ICAO Risk context statement as a reference;

2. Called upon AFCAC and ICAO, to conduct Regional Workshops on Risk Management in collaboration with IATA and other partners;

3. Called upon ICAO to update and review its guidance material to assist States in Capacity building to effectively mitigate New and Emerging threats, particularly the ones arising from Insider Threats;

4. Urged States to enforce background checks on a continuous basis as one way of mitigating against insider threats;

5. Encouraged States to establish and implement behavioral detection and/or other forms of profiling.

5. **INITIATIVES TO ADDRESSING CHALLENGES RELATED TO AVIATION SECURITY AND FACILITATION.**

The Symposium:

1. Urged States to support the AU's effort to establish a continental Protocol on Free Movement of Persons and take necessary measures to allow as a starting point at least the issuance of visa on arrival;

2. States to note the support offered by the AU in Safety and Security to States in need;

3. Urged States to consider Cargo Security as a critical issue for aviation Security and Facilitation;

4. Encouraged States to join or to support the Joint UNODC-WCO-ICAO Cargo Container programme (CCP)-Air in order to promote its expansion in the AFI region;

5. Recommended that AFI-SECFAL to learn from the implementation of ASIP and study ways and means to apply similar methodology in the AFI SECFAL Plan of Action.

6. TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING IN AVIATION SECURITY AND FACILITATION IN THE AFI REGION

The Symposium:

1. Requested ICAO to develop further guidance material on the use of ELearning;

2. Encouraged States, Regional organizations, stakeholders and ASTC's to develop and use ELearning and blended learning in AVSEC and FAL training;

3. Requested ICAO to coordinate the development of relevant training packages to address the needs identified in facilitation and aviation security in coordination with approved Training Institutions;

4. Urged ICAO to consider facilitating access to training provided under TRAINAIR Plus Programme through a revised charging policy, in the spirit of expanding on the level of attendance to training courses;

5. Welcomed the development by ICAO of a Standardized Training Package (STP) Level- 1 on travel document examination and further call for the development of more STPs related to facilitation;

6. Encouraged States and stakeholders to consider adopting best practices from the ACI SMART Security program.

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