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Subject:

Africa Air Navigation Services Providers (ANSPs) Coordination Meeting (Durban, South Africa, 12 June 2015)

Action required: Kindly reply by 20 April 2015

Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to refer to the meeting held in Montreal, Canada on 4 February 2015, during which it was agreed that the planned meeting of AFI ANSPs scheduled to take place on Saturday, 7 March 2015, in Madrid, prior to the CANSO ATM Congress, was a suitable juncture to develop a regional framework of cooperation and peer review, as well as terms of reference to benchmark performance in specific areas and to identify best practices that could be shared to improve air navigation performance.

I am pleased to inform you that the aforesaid meeting was effectively held on 7 March 2015. This meeting particularly decided to establish an African ANSP Steering Group (AASG) initially with the following membership:

**ASECNA** 

- Chair

ATNS

- Vice-Chair,

CANSO

- Member and Secretariat

ICAO

- Member

Other Members: - Ghana, Kenya, Mozambique and Nigeria.

**AFCAC** 

- Observer

The main objective of the AASG is to develop a regional framework and a mechanism for improving ANS safety performance in Africa, including peer review between and among African ANSPs, using a project management approach.

The Steering Group is expected to prepare an Information Paper to be presented to the Fifteenth meeting of the Steering Committee of the Comprehensive Regional Implementation Plan for Safety in Africa (AFI Plan) (Maputo, Mozambique, 19-20 May 2015). In this regard, attendance of the AASG members to this AFI Plan meeting is recommended.

Considering that only a few ANSPs attended the 7 March 2015 meeting in Madrid, it was agreed to have a follow up meeting which would include more African ANSPs, in order to discuss further the decisions of the Madrid ANSPs meeting as reflected in the attached Summary of Discussions.

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Therefore, your Administration/Organization is hereby invited to participate, at management level, in the follow up Africa Air Navigation Services Providers (ANSPs) Coordination Meeting to take place in Durban, South Africa on 12 June 2015, at Elangeni/Maharani Hotel.

Kindly indicate at your earliest convenience but in any case no later than 20 April 2015 whether your Administration/Organization intends to participate, and provide the name(s) and designation(s) of your management representative(s) via electronic mail to the following focal points:

CANSO Africa:

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Mr. Gaoussou Konate (GKonate@icao.int)

For more information concerning this ANSP Coordination Meeting, please contact Ms. Dibate at the above email address.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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## Attachment:

• Summary of Discussions of the Africa ANSP Coordination Meeting, Madrid, 7 March 2015