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Subject: Eighth Africa Regional Meeting of the Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of Public Health Events in Civil Aviation (CAPSCA), Virtual, 8 – 10 February 2022

Action required: To note the invitation to the meeting and register preferably not later than 4 February 2022

Sir/Madam,

I wish to inform you that the Eighth Africa Regional Meeting of the Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of Public Health Events in Civil Aviation (CAPSCA), will be held virtually from **8 to 10 February 2022**. The event, jointly organized by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO), aims at facilitating the effective implementation of the ICAO and WHO requirements on the prevention and the management of public health events in aviation. Your Administration/Organization is hereby kindly invited to participate.

As you are aware, the COVID-19 Pandemic as well as the Ebola Virus Disease Outbreaks have both highlighted the importance of the collaboration between the Aviation and Public Health sectors. The meeting will provide an opportunity to discuss issues related to the management of the ongoing public health events in Africa, lessons learned from the COVID-19 Pandemic and the future of the CAPSCA Africa activities. The Agenda includes also training sessions on Aviation Medicine.

Kindly note that it is essential to ensure the participation of Public Health Authorities as well as the WHO Country Office, in view of the cross-sectorial nature of the subject matter. The invitation should also be extended to all the other relevant stakeholders typically comprised the Airport Authority, public health representatives, aircraft operators/handling company representatives, the air navigation services provider, since their participation is important in such multi-sector and multi-stakeholder events. Participants should register online at their earliest convenience, preferably before **4 February 2022** at <a href="https://www.icao.int/ESAF/Pages/CAPSCA-Africa-8th-Meeting.aspx">https://www.icao.int/ESAF/Pages/CAPSCA-Africa-8th-Meeting.aspx</a>

The proposed agenda for the meeting is attached hereto. Further information on the meeting including documentation will be posted at  $\underline{\text{https://www.icao.int/ESAF/Pages/CAPSCA-Africa-8th-Meeting.aspx}}$ 

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

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Attachment: Provisional Agenda

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