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**COLLABORATIVE ARRANGEMENT FOR THE PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
EVENTS IN CIVIL AVIATION
(CAPSCA)**

SUMMARY REPORT

**SIXTH MEETING OF THE CAPSCA-MIDDLE EAST
PROJECT (CAPSCA-MID/6)**

(Khartoum, Sudan 20-22 February 2017)

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List of Participants

CAPSCA-MID/6
Summary Report of the Meeting

1. PLACE AND DURATION

1.1 The Sixth meeting of the Middle East Regional Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of Public Health Events in Civil Aviation (CAPSCA-MID/6) was generously hosted by the Civil Aviation Authority of Sudan (SCAA) at the Corinthia Hotel, Khartoum, from 20 to 22 February 2017.

2. OPENING

2.1 The meeting was opened by Capt. Ahmed Satti Abdelrahman Bajouri, Director General, Sudan Civil Aviation Authority who welcomed all the participants to Sudan and wished fruitful outcomes of the CAPSCA-MID/6 meeting. Mr. Bajouri thanked ICAO for the initiatives and efforts to ensure safety and security of international air transport. He reiterated the SCAA's continued support of the CAPSCA-MID project and the active participation in all activities including the invitation for a CAPSCA Assistance visit to Khartoum International Airport.

2.2 Mr. Mohamed Rahma, Regional Director of the ICAO Middle East Regional Office thanked the SCAA Director General and all his team for hosting such important meeting and for the excellent cooperation and coordination with ICAO in preparation of this event.

2.3 Mr. Rahma reiterated that CAPSCA is the only ICAO Programme that brings different sectors together in a formalized and routine manner. The Programme offers a relatively inexpensive opportunity for ICAO to maintain cooperation with other major stakeholders and in particular with the sister UN Agency, the "World Health Organization" (WHO). The Programme has played an active role during the Ebola outbreak in coordination with WHO through training of aviation and public health personnel.

2.4 Dr. Johanna (Ansa) Jordaan, Chief, Aviation Medicine Section, ICAO HQ and the CAPSCA Programme Manager highlighted the progress made by the CAPSCA-MID project and encouraged the regional cooperation among MID States through appointment of additional CAPSCA Technical Advisors.

2.5 Dr. Naeema Algasseer, WHO Representative in Sudan, highlighted the importance of cooperation between health and aviation sectors on both national and international levels. WHO organized a successful Joint External Evaluation (JEE) mission to Sudan and received great cooperation from the public health and aviation authorities.

2.6 Dr. Esam Eldeen Mohamed Abd Alla, Undersecretary, Ministry of Health (MOH), Sudan thanked WHO and ICAO for the measures taken for management of public health in air travel and confirmed that MOH ensures coordination with many sectors, including aviation, to prevent the spread of communicable diseases.

2.7 The meeting was chaired by Dr. Osama Bahannan, CAPSCA-MID Chairman and the Head of Aviation Medicine, General Authority of Civil Aviation (GACA), Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

2.8 The opening session was introduced and managed by Dr. Elhafis Abd Elraheem, SCAA official spokesman.

3. ATTENDANCE

3.1 The meeting was attended by a total of fifty six (56) participants from twelve (12) States (Angola, Bahrain, Benin, United Republic of Tanzania, Rwanda, Jordan, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Nairobi, Namibia, Qatar, and Sudan) two (2) International Organizations (IATA and WHO). The list of participants is at **Attachment A** to this Summary Report.

4. OFFICERS AND SECRETARIAT

4.1 Dr. Ansa Jordaan, Chief Aviation Medicine from ICAO HQ has led the technical discussions supported by Dr. Jarnail Singh, CAPSCA Technical Advisor/Chairman of CAMB, Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore and Dr. Khalil Khalil, CAPSCA-MID Lead Technical Advisor.

4.2 Mr. Adel Ramlawi, CAPSCA-MID Regional Coordinator and Technical Officer, Aerodromes, ICAO HQ acted as the Secretary of the meeting.

4.3 The meeting was conducted with support from Ms. Dalia Samhour, Epidemiologist, WHO Regional Office for Eastern Mediterranean (EMRO) and Dr. Khalid Mohamed Eltahir, National Professional Officer, Sudan.

5. LANGUAGE

5.1 Discussions were conducted in English and documentation was issued in English with availability of Arabic translation.

6. WORK PROGRAMME AND DOCUMENTATION

6.1 The Meeting Programme is attached as **Appendix A** to this Summary Report. All the meeting documentation and presentations related to the meeting are available on ICAO MID website: www.icao.int/MID/Pages/capsca-mid.aspx.

7. GENERAL SUMMARY

7.1 The meeting was informed of the latest activities and updates of the CAPSCA Global Programme and the CAPSCA-MID Project.

7.2 The meeting was apprised of the WHO International Health Regulations (IHR) implementation and the Joint External Evaluation (JEE) conducted by WHO in the State of Qatar with support from the ICAO MID Regional Office as part of the CAPSCA-MID project activities .

7.3 The meeting received presentations on public health emergencies and aerodrome emergency plans from both regulator and operator's perspectives. Also, airlines practices and experiences were shared through presentations from different airlines.

7.4 The meeting was apprised of CAOSCA challenges and the ICAO/ WHO/ JAA TO CAPSCA Training Project.

7.5 The participants received training on coordination and implementation of public health emergency preparedness planning in the aviation sector.

7.6 The participants thanked Dr. Osama Bahannan for completing his term as the CAPSCA-MID chairman and elected Dr. Khalil Khalil, Head of Aviation Medicine, Civil Aviation Regulatory Commission, Jordan to be the new CAPSCA-MID Chairman.

7.7 Dr. Osama Bahnan will resume his role as the CAPSCA-MID Lead Technical Advisor and Mrs. Wegdan Yousif Eltayeb, Air Transport Senior Inspector, CAA, Sudan was selected as a new CAPSCA-MID Technical Advisor.

7.8 Bahrain expressed interest to host the next CAPSCA-MID meeting in 2018 and Qatar is considering hosting the 2019 meeting. Both offers will be confirmed by official communications to the ICAO MID Regional Office.

7.9 The meeting agreed that next meeting (CAPSCA-MID/7) will tentatively be held in Bahrain during the first quarter of 2018, subject to confirmation from Bahrain and the ICAO MID Regional Office.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 The meeting appreciated and supported the continuous collaboration between ICAO and WHO and recommended that it should be in the format of a formal agreement.

8.2 ICAO expressed appreciation for the WHO Joint External Assessment missions which were conducted in Qatar and Sudan and encouraged other States to request similar missions. Involvement of the ICAO-MID CAPSCA team has been recommended.

8.3 The meeting noted with appreciation and supported the online training initiative for technical advisers by ICAO, WHO and JAA. Accordingly, the meeting recommended its expansion through appointment of regional and national centres to provide further training to all stakeholders.

8.4 The meeting encouraged appointment of additional CAPSCA Technical Advisors in the MID Region and activation of inter-State collaboration in order to achieve the objectives of CAPSCA.

8.5 The meeting recommended enhancement of the continuous communication and sharing of information between all relevant stakeholders is essential for sharing of best practices between States in a region. The CAPSCA focal points should play the key role in this.

8.6 The meeting highlighted the importance of performing of exercises to validate emergency plans, by all stakeholders, noting that this requires financial resources and recommended, whenever possible, observers should be invited to exercises of various stakeholders.

8.7 The meeting supported the initiative by ICAO to develop more relevant guidance material outlining roles and responsibilities and to provide practical tools to assist with implementation of CAPSCA within States.

8.8 The meeting supported the development of vector control guidance, vector control registry and vector control risk assessment decision tool by ICAO.

8.9 The meeting stressed the importance of providing training to airline personnel and other stakeholders in identification and management of passengers with potential communicable disease. In the same vein, the meeting stressed the importance of cabin crew implementing appropriate and correct procedures during spraying of aircraft with insecticides.

8.10 The meeting recommended extension of the ICAO GASP provisions (3.1, 8.1 – 8.3) related to CAPSCA and Public Health management to be included in the Regional Safety Plans.

8.11 The meeting recommended that ICAO develops familiarisation training material relevant to aviation in order to assist Public Health professionals to better understand the aviation operating environment.

9. CLOSING OF THE MEETING

9.1 Mr. Adel Ramlawi, on behalf of ICAO, thanked the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) of Sudan for hosting the event and appreciated the active contribution from WHO regional and national teams.

9.2 All representatives from States participating in the meeting have shown keen interest to support of CAPSCA project in the MID Region.

9.3 Mrs. Wegdan Yousif Eltayeb, on behalf of the Director General of SCCA, thanked ICAO, WHO and all attendants for the active participation.

SIXTH MEETING OF THE CASPCA-MIDDLE EAST PROJECT (CAPSCA-MID/06)

(Khartoum, Sudan, 20-22 February 2017)

PROGRAMME

<u>Day One: Monday–20 Feb 2017</u> CAPSCA Management Meeting		
08:30 - 09:00	Registration	
Opening ceremony		
09:00 - 09:45	Welcome address and opening remarks And Group photo	DG, SCAA RD, ICAO –MID Undersecretary, Ministry, MoH, Sudan WHO Sudan
09:45 - 10:00	CAPSCA in Sudan (short film)	Sudan
10:00 -10:30	Tea/coffee break	
Session I: CAPSCA implementation		
10:30 -11:00	Self-introductions by participants Meeting objectives and CAPSCA Global Feedback	Mr Adel Ramlawi, ICAO Dr Ansa Jordaan, ICAO
11:00 - 11:20	CAPSCA MID project update	Mr Adel Ramlawi, ICAO
11:20 – 11:45	IHR implementation in WHO/EMRO	Ms Dalia Samhoury, WHO
12:00 – 12:30	Sudan National Preparedness Plan for the aviation sector	Sudan / CAA
13:00 – 13:30	Tea/coffee break	
13:00 – 13:30	IHR implementation in aviation sector	Sudan / MoH
Session II: Challenges of public health emergency preparedness and response in aviation		
13:30 - 14:00	Yellow fever - global threat	Sudan / MoH
14:00 – 14:30	ICAO challenges in CAPSCA implementation	Dr Ansa Jordaan, ICAO
14:30 - 15:00	ICAO/ WHO/ JAA TO CAPSCA Training Project	Dr Ansa Jordaan, ICAO

15:00	End of Day 1	
15:00	Lunch at Nile side restaurant (sponsored by Khartoum International Airport)	
Day Two: Tuesday – 21 Feb 2017 Continue Session II; ICAO-WHO CAPSCA Training		
09:00 - 09:05	Welcome to Day 2	
Session III: Training: Emergency Preparedness Planning		
09:05 - 9:30	Preparedness for public health events- Khartoum airport	Sudan / CAA
09:30 – 10:00	Doha Airport (HIA) Emergency plan	Sheila Cantos, Hamad International Airport
10:00 -10:30	Public health emergencies from aerodrome regulatory perspective	Mr Mohamed Yousif, GCAA UAE
10:30-11:00	Tea/coffee break	
11:00- 11:30	ICAO/ WHO terminology and documentation	Dr. Khalil Khalil, Jordan
11:30 – 12:00	ICAO regulatory framework and Universal Safety Oversight Audit	Mr Adel Ramlawi ICAO
12:00 – 12:30	Considerations in preparing a National Aviation preparedness plan for public health emergencies	Dr Khalil Khalil Jordan
12:30 - 13:00	WHO Joint External Evaluation of the Qatar Ministry of Public Health	Dr Mohammed Al Hajri Qatar
13:00 – 13:30	Tea/coffee break	
13:30 – 14:00	Airline Presentation	Badr Airline
14:00 – 14:30	Airline Presentation	Taco Airline
14:30 – 15:00	Challenges in coordination and implementation of public health emergency preparedness planning in the aviation sector	Panel discussion moderated by Dr Jarnail Singh and Dr. Khalil Khalil
15:00-15:15	Close and wrap up of Day 2	
15:15	Lunch at hotel Corinthia – sponsored by Badr Airlines	
20:00	Dinner– sponsored by Sudan Civil Aviation Authority	

Day Three: Wednesday – 22 Feb 2017
CAPSCA Training

Session IV: IHR and related implementation

09:00-09:15	Update of the IHR review committee and related matters PHEIC and emergency committees (Ebola, Polio, MERS, Zika)	WHO / EMRO
09:15-09:45	The IHR Core capacity assessment and airport certification under the IHR framework	WHO / EMRO
09:45-10:00	Public health procedures at Point of Entry	WHO / EMRO
10:00 -10:30	Case Introduction : Management of public health emergency in the aviation sector)	Dr Jarnail Singh
10:30 – 11:00	Tea/coffee break	
	Session V: Table Top Exercise	
11:00 -12:30	Group work (3 groups)	Dr Jarnail Singh, Dr Khalil Khalil, Mr Adel Ramlawi, Dr Ansa Jordaan
12:30-13:00	Plenary (group feedback)	Dr Jarnail Singh
13:00- 13:30	Tea/coffee break	
13:30 – 14:00	Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson Dates and Venues of the next CAPSCA Meeting	Adel Ramlawi
14:00 – 14:30	Meeting conclusions Closure of Meeting	Adel Ramlawi Mrs. Wegdan Babiker, Sudan CAA
14:30	Lunch at Rotana Hotel sponsored by Tarco Airlines	

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