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(Presented by the Council of ICAO)

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 This Addendum has been prepared to provide information received from Contracting States on steps that have been taken to meet the terms of Assembly Resolution A35-11: *Threat to civil aviation posed by man-portable air defence systems (MANPADS)*.

2. ANALYSIS OF REPLIES

2.1 To date, only 36 States have replied to the State letter and in two cases, replies do not contain pertinent information. It should be noted that all Regional Offices were requested to urge States in their respective regions that have not done so to reply to the State letter as soon as possible in order to provide the fullest report to the Assembly. The 34 States that have provided pertinent information as requested in the letter are Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Barbados, Belarus, Canada, Chile, China, including Hong Kong, Special Administrative Region, Colombia, Cuba, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Guyana, Iceland, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Philippines, Poland, Sao Tome and Principe, Singapore, South Africa, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uruguay, Venezuela and Zimbabwe.

2.2 These States confirmed that steps are being taken to meet the terms of Assembly Resolution A35-11 and provided information as follows:

- a) most States, including non-producers of MANPADS, advised that the necessary measures are being taken to exercise strict and effective controls on the import, export, transfer and retransfer, as well as storage of MANPADS;
- b) sixteen of these States, which participate in the *Wassenaar Arrangement*, advised that they fully implement the national export controls applicable to the international

transfer or retransfer of MANPADS set forth in the *Elements for Export Controls of MANPADS*;

- c) States not participating in the *Wassenaar Arrangement* advised that principles defined in the *Elements for Export Controls of MANPADS* are being applied;
- d) the principles for MANPADS export control contained in the *Wassenaar Arrangement* were the basis for the adoption of the Principles for Export Controls of MANPADS by the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) in 2004. In addition, the Best Practice Guide on National Procedures for Stockpile Management and Security was agreed to in March 2006. These principles are being implemented by States members of the OSCE;
- e) States that do not apply the *Elements for Export Controls of MANPADS* of the *Wassenaar Arrangement* advised that strict measures are being implemented to maintain control and surveillance of any suspicious movement along borders (land, sea and air), involving national organizations concerned such as police, national guard and military and making use of the available means to prevent the illegal entry of weapons;
- f) several States advised on their active participation in the development of the International Instrument to Enable States to Identify and Trace, in a Timely and Reliable Manner, Illicit Small Arms and Light Weapons;
- g) several States expressed their compliance with the existing NATO standards relating to the storage of MANPADS; and
- h) some States advised of their cooperation with the United Nations and INTERPOL, as well as with regional organizations in the efforts to strengthen controls of MANPADS, including the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation and MANPADS workshops.

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