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Agenda Item 47: Work Programme of the Organization in the legal field

PROPOSAL FOR A LEGAL SEMINAR IN THE ASIA PACIFIC REGION

(Presented by the Republic of Korea)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This paper outlines a proposal to convene a regional legal seminar in 2009 with the joint sponsorship of the Republic of Korea and the ICAO Legal Bureau.

Action: The Assembly is invited to consider the programme of the future work of the Organization in the legal field and to include this proposal with respect to this subject.

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| <i>Strategic Objectives:</i> | This working paper relates to Strategic Objective F, as it pertains to developments in the context of the preparation of international air law instruments and measures to encourage their ratification, as well as updated information regarding depositary activity. |
| <i>Financial implications:</i> | No additional resources required. |
| <i>References:</i> | A36-WP/8, LE/2 |

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 According to paragraph 5.1, Legal Meetings, of A36-WP/8 in Agenda Item 47, one regional legal seminar is planned during the period 2008 to 2010. The Republic of Korea is willing to contribute to the ICAO work programme in the legal field and to hold a regional legal seminar.

1.2 Considering the importance of regional legal seminars in the training and informing of civil aviation officials and industry executives in the Asia-Pacific Region regarding legal developments in the aviation field, the Republic of Korea proposes to convene a regional legal seminar, with the joint sponsorship of the ICAO Legal Bureau, with the topic “Developments in Air Law and Aviation Safety and Security” either in Seoul or another convenient city in the Republic of Korea in 2009.

2. SUMMARY OF PLAN OF THE PROPOSED REGIONAL LEGAL SEMINAR 2009

2.1 The proposed legal seminar is aimed at the States to which the ICAO Asia and Pacific Office is accredited.

2.2 The proposed regional seminar will discuss the following subjects:

- a) the legal framework for cooperative measures to deal with offences against the international aviation community; and
- b) legal matters of interest to the Asia-Pacific aviation community.

2.3 Details of the programme and budget of the regional legal seminar in 2009 shall be decided through consultations among the potential members of the organizing committee, which consist of representatives of the ICAO Legal Bureau, Korean governmental authorities, Hankuk Aviation University, the Korea Civil Aviation Development Association and the Korean Association of Air and Space Law.

3. REPUBLIC OF KOREA’S INTERNATIONAL AVIATION COOPERATION EXPERIENCE

3.1 The Republic of Korea has held a number of international seminars and conferences in the aviation arena, including the 38th DGCA Conference of the Asia and Pacific Region in 2001, the 5th Asia-Oceania Forum in 2002, the 1st and 2nd Conferences on International Air Transport Cooperation in 2004 and 2007, the ICAO Regional Legal Seminar in the Asia-Pacific Region in 2006 and several other aviation-related meetings.

3.2 The Republic of Korea will observe the responsibility of a State hosting a regional legal seminar and make every effort to hold a successful and fruitful seminar, in order to improve legal knowledge both in the region and in the international aviation community.

4. **FUTURE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED ASIA LEGAL SEMINAR**

4.1 The proposed seminar is expected to strengthen the development of a cooperative legal framework for aviation security in the Asia-Pacific Region.

4.2 The proposed seminar will also contribute to the settlement of difficulties in dealing with legal issues among the States within the Asia-Pacific Region.

4.3 The proposed seminar will serve as a an excellent opportunity to promote the legislative policies of ICAO to Asia-Pacific States.

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