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Facilitating the future of air transport: collaboration, efficiency, inclusivity

Streamlining Travel, Connecting Communities

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- 1. Minister of Transport for State of Qatar**
- 2. President of ICAO Council**
- 3. ICAO Secretary General**
- 4. President of Qatar Civil Aviation Authority**
- 5. Director General of (ACAO) Arab Civil Aviation Organization**
- 6. Executive Secretary, European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC)**
- 7. Director General, World Health Organization (WHO)**
- 8. Director General of IATA**
- 9. Secretary General for (AFCAC) African Civil Aviation Commission**

Your Excellences, Diplomats, ladies and Gentlemen,

I would like to thank our hosts for their hospitality and bringing us together here in Doha, the State of Qatar as is well known for its beauty and rich cultural heritage.

This Ministerial segment underscores the vital role of the aviation in connecting people and countries and enabling social and economic development all over the world particularly the ICAO member states through trade and tourism.

Your excellences,

The ICAO initiative of “No country left behind” a system that promotes, generate employment, facilitate trade, and extend aviation's benefits to every corner of the globe through sharing of developmental issues and mentor both developing countries and underdeveloped countries by sharing expertise in the aviation industry.

The Republic of South Sudan; being the newest country will be a beneficiary of this ICAO facilitation conference the future of Air Transport, collaboration, efficiency, industries streamlining travel, connecting communities.

This goal represents both our moral imperative and operational necessity. We must develop and implement ICAO solutions to bridge existing gaps.

This transformation requires interconnected actions that represent both our moral imperative and operational necessity by developing and implementing ICAO solutions to bridge the existing gaps.

However, this requires creating scalable solutions that work for both Aviation Authorities and operators. It should also establish robust mechanisms for technology transfer and knowledge sharing between nations.

However, this important event brought all the stakeholders in the aviation industry to delve on the contribution of security to the sustainability of the aviation industry, exploring innovative approaches that can promote progress towards a more sustainable aviation sector to ensure resilience of civil aviation infrastructure against emerging threats in the aviation industry.

Your Excellences,

Air transport facilitation plays an important role in efficiently managing border control processes in international air travel. ICAO's mandate in this area requires us to work with Member States and a broad group of stakeholders to implement measures that prevent unnecessary delays to aircraft, passengers, crews, and cargo. This is especially important when it comes to the administration of guidelines relating to immigration, quarantines, and customs citing the **benefits of air transport facilitation as follows:**

- **Operational efficiencies:** Facilitation streamlines operations, minimizing disruptions and enabling airlines to maintain punctual schedules.
- **Economic prosperity:** Enhanced air transport facilitation catalyzes trade and tourism, propelling economies and generating employment opportunities.
- **Robust border security:** A standardized air transport facilitation approach offers rigorous, unified border security protocols, ensuring the safety of passengers, crew, and assets.
- **Elevated passenger experience:** Air transport facilitation ensures expedited processes and enhances passenger experience.
- **Enhanced capacities:** By focusing on building both human and infrastructural capacity, air transport facilitation ensures the aviation industry's scalability and responsiveness to future challenges.
- **Increased Productivity:**

- By reducing delays and streamlining operations, facilitation enhances the productivity of the aviation industry.
- **Attracting Investment:**
- A well-facilitated aviation sector attracts investment and fosters further development and growth.
- International Cooperation and Standards:
- **ICAO's Role:**
- The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) plays a key role in promoting and standardizing air transport facilitation through its Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs).
- **Global Harmonization:**
- Facilitation efforts aim to harmonize procedures and standards across different countries and regions, ensuring a consistent and efficient global air transport system.
- **Collaboration and Communication:**
- Facilitation relies on strong collaboration and communication between various stakeholders, including governments, airlines, airports, and other aviation organizations.

Your Excellences,

To end my remarks, by reviewing and returning to the matters mentioned earlier by my colleagues in the aviation sector, I would like to appreciate most of the dialogue by continuing in this same spirit of collaboration in advancing our vision of seamless skies and efficient facilitation for a connected world, and thus I wish you all enriching and fruitful discussions in this great event.

Thanks you all and be bless.

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