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To: States, Territories and International Organizations

Subject: **Invitation – Thirteenth CAR/SAM Regional Bird/Wildlife Hazard Prevention Committee Meeting and Conference (CARSAMPAF/13) Panama City, Panama, 19 to 23 October 2015**

Action

Required: 1) Register participants by **18 September 2015**
2) Inform if a presentation will be provided by **28 September 2015**

Sir/Madam:

I have the honour to invite your Administration to participate in the Thirteenth CAR/SAM Regional Bird/Wildlife Hazard Prevention Committee Meeting and Conference (CARSAMPAF/13) to be held at Riu Hotel in Panama City, Panama, from 19 to 23 October 2015, hosted by the Civil Aviation Authority of Panama.

The Meeting of the Board of Directors will be carried, without interpretation, the first day (Monday, 19 October). The Conference will start on Tuesday, 20 October and will end on Friday, 23 October 2015.

This event will be of particular interest to pilots, airline and airport operators, air traffic control services, aircraft manufacturers, national or regional authorities, private companies who work in aviation, environment, pollution, waste and legal aspects related to this topic. Also invited are the civil or military personnel responsible for air operations, managing or planning wildlife resources, land use and environmental control, as well as related professionals (engineers, biologists, environmentalists, lawyers, investigators, academics, etc.) and those involved in the impact of airport operations on the environment and wildlife.

The working languages of the conference will be English and Spanish, and simultaneous interpretation will be provided if sufficient participants of both languages provide timely registration.

You are kindly requested to complete and return the Registration Form at **Attachment A** by e-mail for each participant by **18 September 2015**.

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A list of hotels recommended for meeting participants is at **Attachment B**. Participants are encouraged to make reservations directly with the hotel(s) in a timely manner. If you need local assistance please contact the meeting coordinator from the Civil Aviation Authority of Panama, Mrs. Margarita Cruz (+507 501 9400/Ext. 9450, [macruz@aeronautica.gob.pa](mailto:macruz@ aeronautica.gob.pa) and/or carsampaf13panama@aeronautica.gob.pa) who can provide local information or assistance with making hotel reservations, in case there is a difficulty in making hotel reservations.

You are also invited to contribute to the conference programme with a presentation on a related topic and/or experience. It is recommended that the presentations be oriented to the role of airport operators regarding the wildlife hazard and environment safety management and wildlife; experiences on actions and practical methods at airports or any other issue that you consider appropriate for the event.

I would appreciate confirming your intention to support the conference with a presentation no later than **28 September 2015**, by informing the name of the speaker and title of the presentation. For your information, 20 minutes are being allocated for presentations. All presentations should be submitted to this ICAO Regional Office (icaonacc@icao.int) by **5 October 2015**.

The attached General Information is available on the following web page: www.icao.int/NACC/Pages/Meetings-2015-carsampaf13.aspx, option *Meetings*. The draft programme for the event, as well as all Conference presentations will be published in the same web page as they become available. Taking into consideration the availability of presentations in electronic format, no hard copies will be distributed during the event.

If you require any further information regarding the meeting, please contact Mr. Jaime Calderón, Aerodromes and Ground Aids (AGA) (jcalderon@icao.int) or Ms. Ana Valencia, Assistant, (avalencia@icao.int).

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A digital signature in black ink, written over a blue circular stamp. The stamp contains the ICAO logo and the text 'ICAO - OACI - ICAO' at the top and 'for' at the bottom. The words 'Firma Digital' are written in blue on the left side of the stamp, and 'Digital Signature' is written in blue on the right side.

for
Melvin Cintron
Regional Director
North American, Central American and
Caribbean (NACC) Regional Office

Enclosure:

A – Registration Form

B – General Information



*International Civil Aviation Organization
Civil Aviation Authority of Panama*

**XIII CAR/SAM Regional Bird and Wildlife Hazard Prevention
Committee Meeting and Conference (CARSAMPAF/13)**

(Panama City, Panama, 19 to 23 October 2015)

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Venue and dates

The XIII Regional Bird and Wildlife Hazard Prevention Committee Meeting and Conference for North, Central, South America and the Caribbean Regions (CARSAMPAF), will take place in Panama City, Panama, from 19 to 23 October 2015 at Riu Hotel.

2. Address and Hotel RIU contact:

Calle 50, with 53 East, Panama City, Panama
Tels. +507 269 1000/ +507 378 9000
Fax +507 378 9005
Reservations: lclement@riu.com
Website: www.riuplaza.com / www.riu.com

3. Opening Session

Monday 20 October 2015 at Riu Hotel
Registration of participants: 08:00 – 09:00
Opening of the event: 09:00 – 09:30

4. Documentation link and Languages

The XIII CAR/SAM Regional Bird and Wildlife Hazard Prevention Committee Meeting and Conference (CARSAMPAF/13), will be carried out in Spanish and English, **with simultaneous interpretation services**. The documentation will be posted in the ICAO SAM Regional Office website, <http://www.lima.icao.int/>, option *Meetings*, as available, participants should check our website frequently to download the documentation. **All participants must bring their own set of documentation (hard copy or electronically in a laptop) to the Meeting venue; there will be no hard copies available for distribution.**

5. Registration of participants

Participants are requested to fill in the registration form attached to this information paper and submit it to SAM Regional Office as soon as possible. A subsequent registration will take place at the corresponding registration desk, from 08:30 to 09:00 his, during the first day of the event, where the duly completed registration sheet should be handed in. Likewise, participants are requested to use the badges supplied to them during registration.

6. Event Coordinator/Contact telephone numbers

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Mrs. Margarita Cruz

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7. Temperature

During the month of October the temperature in Panama City varies from 23 °C to 32 °C. The average humidity is 64 % considering the rainy season in this month.

8. Transportation to/from airport

It should be noted that Panama is in a phase of extension and maintenance of its main streets and avenues, therefore, it is suggested to take the necessary measures and consider extra time for transportation in order to avoid heavy traffic, at different hours.

You can find authorized taxi services at Tocumen International Airport

Selected transportation rate – Taxis - from Tocumen International Airport to/from the hotels zone is approximately US\$30.00 (additional person US\$12.00). Rates can be confirmed in the counters outside the customs at the airport.

For security reasons the use of authorized Tourism taxi services of the Tocumen Terminal is recommended, which could be reach at the following telephone numbers:

Tourism Taxi Service

Telephone: +507 238 4305

9. Transportation to/from the event venue

Participants could use taxis or walk from the selected hotel to the event venue **RIU HOTEL** since the hotels listed below are close to the hotel.

However, in view of frequent rains, typical of winter during the month of October in Panama City, the following taxis are suggested:

Recommended companies for transportation inside the city:

Radio Taxi ABC Service, S. A.	+507 229 0471
Radio Taxi América	+507 223 7534
Radio Taxi América Libre	+507 269 1601
Radio Taxi Atlantic, S. A.	+507 224 6700

10. Lodging

Reservations should be made directly to the selected hotel **well in advance indicating the name of the meeting in which you will participate**. Rate may vary, please check with the preferred hotel.

Hotel	Address - Tel/Fax Website - E-mail	Simple USD \$	Double USD \$
Hotel RIU *Sede de la Reunión	Calle 50 with 53 East, Panama City Tels. +507 269 1000/ · +507 378 9000 · Fax +507 378 9005 Contacts: Ms. Patricia García pgarcia@riu.com Mr. Luis Clement lclement@riu.com www.riuplaza.com / www.riu.com Includes: international buffet breakfast, water, courtesy coffee room service, wi-fi, use of the facilities.	Deluxe Simple/Double USD 109.00	Executive - Crown Level USD 139.00 Suite – Senior Level USD 169.00
El Panamá	Vía España 111, Calle Eusebio A. Morales Reservations: + 507 215 9182 reservas@elpanama.com www.elpanama.com Includes: buffet breakfast, use of the facilities, wi-fi, and welcome drink	USD 120.00	USD 120.00 USD 20.00 (additional third person)
Wyndham Garden Hotel Panama City	Urbanización Obarrio, Calle 58 Reservations: (507) 212-5700 Reception01.wgpty@gmail.com www.wyndham.com Includes: breakfast buffet, internet, parking.	USD 80.00	USD 80.00 USD 20.00 (additional third person)

Hotel	Address - Tel/Fax Website - E-mail	Simple USD \$	Double USD \$
Holiday Inn Express	Calle Ricardo Arango and calle 53E, behind the Santuario Nacional, Panama City Tels. + 507 305 8800 Contact: Priscilla Mislov Priscilla.mislov@hotelsal.com www.hiexpress.com Includes: breakfast buffet, wi-fi, local calls, use of the facilities	USD 79.00	USD 79.00
Continental& Casinos	Vía España and Calle Ricardo Arias Reservations: + 507 366 7700 Fax: (507) 366-7970 Contact: Anayansi Hernández reservaciones@continentalhotel.com www.continentalhotel.com Includes: breakfast buffet, wi-fi.	USD 79.00	USD 99.00
Hotel Ejecutivo Panama	Avenida Aquilino de La Guardia Reservations: + 507 265 8011 Reservations USA: 1 (866) 876-0915 onlinerreservation@executivehotel-panama.com reservas1@ejecutivo.com agente1@ejecutivo.com Includes: breakfast buffet, free local calls, fee water in the room, wi-fi.	Kingsize bed (one person) USD 95.00	

Note: Please add 10% taxes and services to the rate of hotels.

11. Passports, visa and vaccination requirements

To enter the country, usually a valid passport and visa are required with a validity of six (6) months. However, it is recommended to verify this information at Panama embassies and consulates in the respective States. It is also recommended to check if yellow fever vaccine or other is necessary.

12. Currency and Credit Cards

The currency in Panama is US dollar.

Credit cards usually accepted at hotels, shopping centres and restaurants are: American Express, Master Card and VISA. Traveler checks should be changed in banks or money exchange houses.

It is recommended to have American dollars in cash or balboas, for taxi services, as well as for purchases in small stores.

13. Hospitals

In case of emergency and if necessary, the following services are recommended:

CLÍNICA HOSPITAL NACIONAL, located in Avenida Cuba, entre Calle 38 and 39, Panama City, Tel: +507 207 9100/ +507 306 3300.

CLINICA HOSPITAL SANTA FE, located in Avenida Frangipani, Panama City, Tel: (507) 227-4733.

14. Contact telephone number of the Civil Aviation Authority (AAC) of Panama

Julio A. Martinis G.
General Secretary AAC
+507) 501-9400 ext. 9450/9408
[jmartinis@aeronautica.gob.pa](mailto:jmartinis@ aeronautica.gob.pa)

Attention:

Margarita Cruz
Executive Secretary
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15. Electricity

The provision of electricity is 120 volts/60Hz.

16. Airport tax

Airport tax is US\$40.00 dollars.