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30 April 2021

To: States, Territories and International Organizations

Subject: **Invitation - Thirty Sixth MEVA Technical Management Group Meeting (MEVA/TMG/36)**
(On-line, from 1 to 3 June 2021)

Action

Required: 1) Submission of any comments to the "Request of information" (RFI) document by **25 May 2021**
2) Submission of documentation by **20 May 2021**
3) On-line registry by **20 May 2021**

Dear Sir/Madam,

The MEVA Telecommunications Network is the most important communications infrastructure in the region that provides voice and data services to the Caribbean (CAR) Region and that interconnects with the North American (NAM) and South American (SAM) Regions.

In this regard, please note that due to the current COVID-19 conditions, we have planned to carry out this event on-line from 1 to 3 June 2021, according to the Provisional Agenda of **Appendix A** and the Provisional Schedule in **Appendix B**.

Following up on Decision NACC/DCA/09/16, from the Ninth North American, Central American and Caribbean Directors of Civil Aviation Meeting (NACC/DCA/09), to accelerate work on the new phase of MEVA, the new Caribbean Air Navigation Services Network (CANSNET), the Ad-hoc group part of the MEVA/TMG conducted the "Request for Information" (RFI) process during 2020, suffering some unscheduled delays due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

In this first phase of the project, through the RFI, responses were obtained from ten different companies, which made it possible to evaluate the communications technology and services that companies worldwide provide and that could be technology be applied in this new phase of the MEVA.

As a result of the RFI evaluation, a report was made by the CANSNET ad-hoc Group, which would be discussed during the meeting. The report will be sent to all MEVA Members designated by the State to participate in this meeting. The report is a confidential document that has to be evaluated by the State before the meeting. It is important to identify new communications and the States need to integrate this information to the CANSNET discussion during the meeting. Every CAR State has to provide the information/comments to the RFI by **25 may 2021**.

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In addition, ICAO forwarded last March to all NAM/CAR States the ICAO position regarding the WRC-23 meeting to be held on 2023. During the meeting the documentation and implications for the States will be reviewed.

All MEVA/TMG Members, aeronautical frequencies administrators for each represented State and the MEVA Service Provider and project State managers are invited to attend the meeting, as well as other persons who, due to their roles in their Organization, should participate to cover the subjects that will be developed in this online meeting.

You are kindly invited to register in the following link by **20 May 2021**:

<https://icao.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYrfuGgpj4vH9CX0Jlnsy3E5lpU4Ieu-Fn>

The working languages will be English and Spanish and simultaneous interpretation will be provided with the aim to have a better discussion about the information that will be present during the meeting.

Any comments and documentation that your Administration/Organization may wish to submit at the meeting should be forwarded to this office by e-mail as soon as practicable and by **20 May 2021**, in Microsoft Word format using the **attached templates (Appendices C, D and E)**. Working papers should be brief, action-oriented, and focused to the topics provided in the Attachment A.

Documentation will be posted on the following link when available:

<https://www.icao.int/NACC/Pages/Meetings.aspx?year=2021&cM=04&cY=2021>

If you require any further information regarding the meeting, please contact Ms. Dulce Rosés (dulce.roses@faa.gov), MEVA/MTG Coordinator, Mrs. Mayda Ávila, Regional Officer, Communications, Navigation and Surveillance (mavila@icao.int), or Mr. Gabriel Gutiérrez, Assistant, (ggutierrez@icao.int) both from the ICAO NACC Regional Office.

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

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

Enclosure: *As indicated*

ATTACHMENT A

**THIRTY SIXTH MEVA TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT GROUP MEETING
(MEVA/TMG/36)**

Online, 1 to 3 June 2021

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- Agenda Item 1: Approval of the Agenda, Work Method and Schedule**
- Agenda Item 2: Operation and Performance of the MEVA III Network**
- 2.1 MEVA Network operation and performance: 04/2020 - 04/2021
 - 2.2 MEVA III monitoring and reporting
 - 2.3 Aeronautical Message Handling System (AMHS) connections
- Agenda Item 3: Use of Current Aeronautical Frequencies and Their Future**
- 3.1 ICAO position for the International Telecommunication Union World Radio communication Conference 2023 (ITU WRC-23)
- Agenda Item 4: MEVA Phase IV**
- 4.1 Review of the RFI Process report
 - 4.2 Evaluation about technologies and services available
 - 4.3 Strategies about next step of CANSNET development
 - 4.4 New CAR Communications needs
 - 4.5 Discussion session
- Agenda Item 5: Administration Activities**
- 5.1 Updated Information on administrative issues
 - 5.2 Other businesses
- Agenda Item 6: Other business**
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ATTACHMENT B

**THIRTY SIXTH MEVA TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT GROUP MEETING
(MEVA/TMG/36)**

Online, 1 to 3 June 2021

PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE

Time	Tuesday 1 June	Wednesday 2 June	Thursday 3 June
09:00 – 09:30	Opening Ceremony	Agenda Item 3	Agenda Item 5
09:30 – 10:00	Agenda Item 1		
10:00 – 10:30	Agenda Item 2	Agenda Item 4	Agenda Item 6
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>		
11:00 – 12:00	Agenda Item 3	Agenda Item 4	Conclusions
