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Progress Achieved in the Safety Oversight System (SOS) Improvement Project

Inspectors provided by the States, identification and training

States of the NAM/CAR Regions provided 27 experts to be part of the Safety Oversight System (SOS) Improvement Project .

The States that provided experts were Aruba, Cayman Island, Costa Rica, Cuba, Curaçao, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Sint Maarten, Trinidad and Tobago, OECS, and the Central American Agency of Aeronautical Operational Safety(ACSA).



Training provided through the project

The following training is being provided to the experts:

- International Aviation Safety Assessment (IASA) philosophy of audit (virtual)
- IATA Operational Safety Audit (IOSA) familiarization (IATA MIA)
- Safety Assessment of Foreign Aircraft (SAFA) training (ASCA, Dominican Republic)





Identification of the experts that will continue to the next phase of the project.

Because of the different capabilities and skills of the experts provided by the States of the NAM/CAR Regions, it was necessary to identify the idoneous elements to continue to the next phase of the project, which includes the development of the Cross-Reference Document Evaluation Tool (CRDET) and further onsite execution of the States evaluations.

In order to go to the States evaluation phase, three experts in each of the areas of Personnel Licensing and Training (PEL), Aircraft Operations (OPS), and Airworthiness of Aircraft (AIR), were selected, so now the group was narrowed to 9 experts to conduct the evaluations.



Development of the Cross-Reference Document Evaluation Tool (CRDET)

The CRDET is the tool that is going to be used to evaluate the States, which is based in the protocols used by IASA, IATA IOSA, SAFA and ICAO. To put together this protocols a task group was conformed. At this point, the CRDETs of LEG, ORG, AIR and PEL are completed, the OPS protocol will be delivered the first quarter of 2024.

First evaluation performed

The first State evaluated is Costa Rica, the exercise was conducted on LEG, ORG, and AIR (partially) only due to the protocols of PEL and OPS were not available by the time of the evaluation. However, we expect to complete the exercise with PEL, OPS and the last part of AIR, by the first quarter of 2024.



NEXT STEPS

- Incorporate PEL and OPS in the future evaluations
- Provide support to the evaluated States through the Systemic Assistance Programme
- Identify the States willing to be evaluated
- Gradually add the other areas to the project (AGA, ANS, and AIG)



Thank You!