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To: Mr. Jean-Michel Boivin, Regional Director of Civil Aviation, French Guiana
Mr. Zulficar Mohamed, Director General, Civil Aviation Authority, Guyana
Mr. Falisie Jozef Pinas, Minister of Transport, Communication and Tourism, Suriname

Subject: Fifth Regional Symposium on the Next Generation of Aviation Professionals (NGAP) and TRAINAIR PLUS -- The Americas
(Montego Bay, Jamaica, 5 to 7 February 2013)

Action

Required: **Confirm your participation no later than 15 January 2013**

Sir/Madam:

Further to the attached Electronic Bulletin (EB) 2012/59 dated 10 December 2012, I have the pleasure to invite your Government/Organization to participate in the Fifth Regional Symposium on the Next Generation of Aviation Professionals (NGAP) and TRAINAIR PLUS - The Americas, to be held in Montego Bay, Jamaica, from 5 to 7 February 2013. This regional symposium is organized by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) in cooperation with the Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority.

Competent personnel are essential to establish and manage safe air transportation systems and training plays a critical role in achieving safety objectives. ICAO is committed to supporting Member States with implementing high quality standards in civil aviation training and using the latest available training technology and tools. The TRAINAIR PLUS Programme, as well as the NGAP initiative, are key elements in ICAO's strategy to achieve this goal and to ensure that enough qualified and competent aviation professionals are available to operate, manage and maintain the future of the international air transport system.

In today's challenging context it becomes urgent to propose new and innovative solutions for the recruitment, education, training and retention of the next generation of aviation professionals, which is one of the objectives of this regional symposium.

The objectives of the regional symposia are to:

- a) develop awareness and establish effective communication links at a regional level with States, regional organizations, operators, industry, training providers and organizations, and students;
- b) provide a forum to exchange best practices and experiences on various NGAP and TRAINAIR PLUS related matters at the regional level;

- c) reach out to the next generation: open a discussion link between ICAO, the aviation community and t students in order to target and better direct NGAP initiatives; and
- d) inform and exchange with participants on the latest trends, techniques and tools currently available in aviation training worldwide, as well as the implementation of competency-based training methodology.

In addition to ICAO, presentations, discussions and debates will be led by representatives from States, international organizations, aircraft manufacturers, academia, aviation training organizations, the airline industry, air navigation service providers and maintenance organizations. ICAO will take the opportunity to provide a platform to present the TRAINAIR *PLUS* Programme allow its members to network and discuss upcoming Programme milestones.

This symposium is very important for those in States, aviation industry and training activities charged with human resource planning and development. It will allow participants from the region to share their concerns, problems, best practices and solutions with respect to aviation safety training with the rest of the world.

The symposium will be free of charge, but it is important that participants register in advance. Information related to the conference, including registration, the draft programme, general information, hotels and rates will be available via the following website: www.icao.int/trainairplus. Information will be updated periodically.

In view of the scope and importance of this event, I would greatly appreciate that your Administration/Organization further disseminate this invitation to:

- a) Aerodrome operators
- b) National airlines
- c) Institutes, academies and universities related to civil aviation
- d) Providers of aeronautical services

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



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Regional Director
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Lima

Attachment

cc: Mr. Olivier Jouans, Regional Director of ATM services, French Guiana
Mrs. Thelma Douglas Pinas, Permanent Secretary, MTCT, Suriname
Mr. Robby Venlo, Director General (a.i.), Civil Aviation Department, Suriname
Mr. Brian De Souza, Director (a.i.), CASAS, Suriname
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SCHEDULE OF THE NEXT GENERATION OF AVIATION PROFESSIONALS (NGAP) AND TRAINAIR PLUS PROGRAMME (TRAINAIR PLUS) REGIONAL SYMPOSIA

1. In 2013, ICAO, with the cooperation of Member States, will organize regional symposia which will be generously hosted by civil aviation authorities and TRAINAIR PLUS members. A list of the planned symposia is presented in the attachment.
2. The regional symposia will build on the success of the Next Generation of Aviation Professionals (NGAP) and TRAINAIR PLUS Regional Conferences, held in 2011, and the first TRAINAIR PLUS Global Symposium held in Singapore in 2012. At these events, stakeholders of the air transport system (civil aviation authorities (CAAs), international organizations, operators, maintenance organizations, airports, air traffic services providers, training centres and manufacturers) met and exchanged views, best practices and experiences which provided a clear view on future developments in aviation safety training, NGAP issues and the TRAINAIR PLUS Programme.
3. The conduct of the regional symposia will be beneficial for participants from the civil aviation authorities to meet with the industry on training matters. It will provide all stakeholders with a platform for communication and exchange and will allow them to learn about the most up-to-date training technologies and products and to grasp some of the regulatory challenges the industry faces.
4. The events will be free of charge to encourage a large participation. Information related to the symposia, including on-line registration, programme, venue location and all other relevant details is available at <http://www.icao.int/safety/TrainairPlus/Pages/default.aspx>. The website will be regularly updated to provide the latest information on those events. Regional Offices will issue invitation letters for those States to which they are accredited.

Enclosure:

List of the planned regional symposia in 2013

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LIST OF THE PLANNED REGIONAL SYMPOSIA IN 2013

1. Jamaica, hosted by the Civil Aviation Authority, from 5 to 7 February 2013.
2. Indonesia, hosted by the Air Transportation Human Resources Development Centre, from 23 to 25 April 2013.
3. Turkey, hosted by the Turkish Aviation Academy, from 17 to 19 June 2013.
4. South Africa, hosted by the Air Traffic and Navigation Services, from 10 to 12 December 2013.

The objectives of these symposia are to:

- a) provide an international forum to exchange best practices and experiences in aviation training and notify participants of the latest trends, techniques and tools currently available in aviation training worldwide, including those of ICAO;
- b) provide the TRAINAIR *PLUS* members with a platform for communication;
- c) establish effective communication links at an international level in the field of training between ICAO and States, training organizations, regional organizations, operators and the industry; and
- d) reach out to the next generation of aviation professionals: open a discussion between ICAO, the aviation community and students in order to target and better direct NGAP outreach initiatives.

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