

# International Civil Aviation Organization ICAO South American Regional Office

Thirteenth Meeting of the Civil Aviation Authorities of the SAM Region (RAAC/13)

(Bogota, Colombia, 4 – 6 December 2013)

## **Agenda Item 6:** Bogota Declaration

#### b) Approval of the Bogota Declaration

## **ALTA's Support to the Bogota Declaration**

(Presented by ALTA)

#### **SUMMARY**

The Bogota Declaration developed by the SAM countries, is an important achievement in search of a safer industry in our region. ALTA, in its efforts to achieve the highest safety standards, supports the SAM region and offers its expertise through RASG-PA's initiatives to achieve this Declaration's objectives.

### References:

- ICAO Doc 9750 Global Air Navigation Plan (GANP); and
- ICAO Doc 10004 Global Air Safety Plan (GASP).

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#### 1. **Introduction**

- 1.1 The Declaration that will be signed at this thirteenth meeting of the Civil Aviation Authorities of the SAM Region in Bogota, Colombia, is a significant step towards improving safety and air navigation in the region. ALTA applauds this initiative and recognizes the effort that the SAM civil aviation authorities will be taking on in order to achieve the 15 objectives described in the document.
- 1.2 ALTA's General Assembly set a target to reduce accident rates by 2014 to reach US levels, and initiatives such as this, will contribute to achieve this important goal.
- 1.3 ALTA's members (Over 90% of total ASK's flown in the region) have invested over USD 50 billon in the past years in modern and cutting edge aircraft, today considered among the youngest fleets in the world (average seven years), equipped with state of the art technology allowing to have a safer and efficient air navigation with the capacity to use the most modern technology. The Declaration initiatives, will allow the development of better navigation procedures and infrastructure programs that will meet with the industry's achievements.
- 1.4 The Declaration will support both RASG-PA and GREPECAS objectives, where ALTA strongly encourages the SAM civil aviation authorities to engage with its initiatives.

1.5 ALTA supports the Declaration and wishes to keep working together with ICAO towards improving regional operations.

# 2. **Discussion**

2.1 The SAM region's leadership through this Declaration should be an example to emulate in other regions, in the search of a homogeneous approach. As in other parts of the world, it is important to harmonize processes, regulations and programs to ensure the success of safety and air navigation procedures. ALTA offers its tools and experience from its safety and operational experts to collaborate with this initiative.

# 3. **Suggested action**

- 3.1 The Meeting is invited to:
  - a) Acknowledge the support of ALTA to this Declaration;
  - b) Engage on working groups like GREPECAS and RASG-PA alignment; and
  - c) Encourage the harmonized implementation through GANP and GASP recommendations.