

COUNCIL — 227TH SESSION

FIFTH MEETING

(COUNCIL CHAMBER, MONDAY, 28 NOVEMBER 2022, AT 1430 HOURS)

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

CLOSED MEETING

Not available

OPEN MEETING

Update on the work on the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA)

- 3. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15450, which provided an update on the work undertaken in relation to the implementation of the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA), including the results of the 41st Session of the ICAO Assembly. The Council also had for consideration an oral report thereon from the Climate and Environment Committee (CEC).
- 4. Following consideration, the Council:
 - a) noted that the consequential amendments to Annex 16, Volume IV arising from the decisions of the 41st Session of the Assembly on CORSIA will be considered by the Air Navigation Commission (ANC) during its 221st Session, together with the final review of proposed amendments arising from the twelfth meeting of CAEP, and which will subsequently be consolidated for presentation to the Council during its 228th Session;
 - b) also noted that the relevant ICAO documents related to the CORSIA Central Registry (CCR), as prepared by the Secretariat, were approved by the Council by correspondence and published on the CORSIA website at the end of October 2022;
 - c) approved the 2022 version of the ICAO CORSIA CO₂ Estimation and Reporting Tool (CERT) together with the supporting technical documentation, as described in paragraph 4 of C-WP/15450 and as circulated by correspondence, for publication on the CORSIA website by the end of December 2022;
 - d) also approved the third edition of the ICAO document *CORSIA Sustainability Criteria* for *CORSIA Eligible Fuels* with the proposed amendments reflected in Attachment A to State letter ENV 6/6 22/73, including the additional adjustments contained in Appendix D of C-WP/15450;

- e) noted that CAEP will continue to advance its work on Themes 5 (Soil), 6 (Air), 7 (Conservation), 8 (Water and Chemicals) and 10 (Human and Labour Rights), with a view to presenting its recommendations to the Council for consideration in advance of the 42nd Session of the ICAO Assembly in 2025;
- f) invited the CEC, with the support of the Secretariat, to consider the format for presenting CORSIA-related 14 ICAO documents referenced in Annex 16, Volume IV to the Council, with a view to rationalizing and facilitating the Council's understanding of its approval process for these materials; and
- g) noted that a work programme for the implementation of the Resolution on CORSIA adopted by the 41st Session of the ICAO Assembly, including the establishment of the methodology for the CORSIA periodic review, and necessary updates to CORSIA-related SARPs and Implementation Elements, while taking into consideration the CAEP work programme, will be considered by the Council during the 228th Session.

Secretary General's sessional progress report

- 5. The Council considered this item on the basis of a PowerPoint presentation delivered by the Secretary General.
- 6. Following consideration, the Council:
 - a) took note of the comprehensive information provided in the sessional report, and welcomed the various initiatives being undertaken by the Secretary General and the Secretariat; and
 - b) reiterated its appreciation to the Secretary General for prioritizing the modernisation of the Secretariat in line with the One-ICAO strategy, and for strengthening the core values of transparency and accountability, particularly through the work being carried out under the new Transformational Objective, which would be essential in ensuring the Organization's readiness for the future; and
 - c) agreed that subsequent sessional reports should henceforth be considered in the context of an informal meeting of the Council, in order to provide additional time to the Council to engage in a more open exchange with the Secretary General on the substance of his reports.

Progress achieved by the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (RHCC)

- 7. The Council considered this item on the basis of an oral report presented by the Chairperson of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (RHCC), as well as introductory remarks from the Representative of Canada.
- 8. Following consideration, the Council:
 - a) took note of the information provided by the RHCC, including in relation to the status of issues under consideration by the Committee, as appended to the oral report, and in this connection, invited the Secretariat, host State authorities and members of the RHCC to continue to work throughout the intersessional period to progress these matters;

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- b) took note in particular that in instances where Delegations were in arrears for more than a year in payments on their rental contracts, this could lead to the potential non-renewal of those contracts;
- c) also took note of the supplementary information provided by the Delegation of Canada, on behalf of the Host State, concerning the reactivation of French language courses offered by the Government of Québec, beginning in the new year;
- d) reiterated its gratitude to the Host State authorities for their ongoing support throughout the pandemic, and in doing so, recognized the joint efforts by the Government of Canada and the Secretariat to implement safety measures to minimize the risk of Delegates and staff members being exposed to COVID-19 during the 41st Session of the ICAO Assembly; and
- e) noted the concerns raised in relation to the challenges faced by the ICAO diplomatic community in obtaining access to family doctors in Québec, and in light of the views raised over the course of the Council's consideration of this matter, requested the Secretariat to conduct an analysis of the measures which may be required to establish, within ICAO, a mandate for the provision of medical services by a family doctor, that would be accessible to both national Delegations and ICAO staff.

Any other business

Testing of hydrogen-powered jet engines

9. The Council noted the announcement by the Representative of the United Kingdom regarding the world's first successful ground-test of a hydrogen-powered jet engine which had been recently carried out by Rolls-Royce. It was acknowledged that although this technology was in the early stages of development, the success of this test demonstrated how the sector could make progress toward the long-term global aspirational goal (LTAG), while at the same time, enabling the aviation sector to grow.