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16 – 18 March 2010, Bangkok, Thailand

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Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to inform you that the three COSCAP programmes in the Asia Region will host the 3rd Asia Regional Aviation Safety Team (ARAST) meeting on 16 – 18 March 2010 at the ICAO Asia and Pacific Office, Bangkok, Thailand. This important meeting is being opened to all States/Administrations in the Asia and Pacific Regions.

It is my pleasure to invite your State/Administration to participate in the 3rd ARAST meeting in the spirit of regional cooperation.

Member States / Administrations participating in the three COSCAP Programmes in the Asia Region may have already received a similar invitation to the 3rd ARAST meeting from their respective Chief Technical Advisors / Programme Coordinators.

The Asia Pacific regional States / Administrations may be aware that the three COSCAPs have established Safety Teams in their respective sub-region for some years now and have been relentlessly pursuing safety interventions and identifying areas of concern to flight safety that may be unique to the region or require emphasis within the region. To that end they have been working very closely with the regulatory bodies, airlines, manufacturers and industry groups to ensure that safety interventions are implemented as deemed appropriate.

The three Asia COSCAP safety teams have since been combined to improve efficiency, reduce duplication of effort and provide a wider forum for the exchange of best safety practices. The ARAST Terms of Reference have also been expanded to include responsibilities related to the implementation of the Global Aviation Safety Plan/Roadmap (GASP/R). The previous ARAST meeting has conducted a review of the first five Global Safety Initiatives/Focus Areas (GSI/FA) which have a primary focus for States/Region. The outputs from the ARAST meetings are subsequently presented to the respective Steering Committees for approval.

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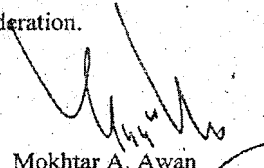
The 3rd ARAST Meeting agenda will address all functional areas (Operations & ATM, Maintenance and the Global Aviation Safety Plan), with items grouped in each functional area. As many of the safety enhancements can benefit from broad input from all functional areas, it is important that maintenance, air traffic management, and flight operations specialists participate for the complete meeting.

Recognizing also that industry input is important in developing meaningful safety enhancements, in addition to having team members from your Civil Aviation Administration, you are kindly requested to extend an invitation to your air traffic management service providers, air operators, and other organizations to promote wide attendance.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the donor partners, aircraft manufacturers and international organizations for their continued support of the COSCAPs in the Asia region and in particular the Asia Regional Aviation Safety Team initiative. We look forward to your support in future meetings as well.

Please find attached the Tentative Agenda and other documentation for the meeting. A more detailed Agenda with supporting documentation will be provided to you at least three weeks before the meeting.

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



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Regional Director

Enclosures:

- A - Tentative Agenda
- B - Nomination / Registration Form
- C - Bulletin
- D - Recommended Hotels

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