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Summary Report on
10th and 11th Regional AVSEC Coordination Forums
(RASCF-APAC/10 & 11)

Presented by:
Secretariat
on behalf of Chairmen of the RASCF

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Dhaka, Bangladesh

RASCF-APAC/10 - OVERVIEW

- The Forum was conducted virtually from 7 - 8 December 2022

- The Forum was opened by Mr. Tao Ma, Regional Director ICAO Asia and Pacific

- Mr. Douglas Yeo, Director, Security Policy and Emergency Preparedness, from the Ministry of Transport, Singapore and Mr. Matthew Pedler, Assistant Secretary Critical Infrastructure Policy and Standards from the Department of Home Affairs, Australia served as Chair and Vice-chair respectively of the Forum

RASCF-APAC/10 - OVERVIEW

- The Forum was attended by 92 participants from 19 States/Administrations and 4 aviation security partners (International Organization and Industry Partners).

- A total of 22 Discussion Papers and/or Presentations with 2 Information Papers were delivered to the Forum during the online session over the two days.

RASCF-APAC/10 - OVERVIEW

- **AGENDA ITEM 2: ICAO INFORMATION UPDATES**
  The Secretariat provided updates on the ICAO works on AVSEC and FAL, including Amendment 18 to Annex 17 – *Aviation Security*, Amendment 29 to Annex 9 – *Facilitation*, publication of new guidance materials under AVSEC and FAL, 3rd Ed of Global RCS, developments to the ICAO (TRIP) and Strategy and forthcoming 13th Ed of SM – Doc 8973

- **AGENDA ITEM 3: AVSEC EMERGING ISSUES/ ISSUES OF INTEREST**
  Several States/IOs provided a number of presentations on their experience in topics ranging from Anti-drone System at airport, Protecting Critical Aviation Infrastructure, Data Security in Civil Aviation, Aviation Cybersecurity, Security Challenges for Airports in the Recovery, etc.

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- <u>AGENDA ITEM 4: GASeP AND APAC ROADMAP IMPLEMENTATION STATUS</u>
  The Forum provided the platform for several States/IOs to present their works on achieving the one or more of the five priority outcomes of the GASeP:

  a) enhance risk awareness and response;

  b) develop security culture and human capability;

  c) improve technological resources and innovation;

  d) improve oversight and quality assurance; and,

  e) increase cooperation and support

  (6 DPs/PPTs + 1 IP were presented under this Agenda Item)

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- AGENDA ITEM 5: UPDATES FROM ICAO ISD-SEC AND CASP-AP

a) The Forum was updated on the ICAO avsec capacity building initiatives, training and activities undertaken to support States and the development of new training materials to help build a stronger security culture

b) CASP-AP provided an update on its on-going and next year's work plan which included the provision of training courses and assistance efforts to its Member States with close coordination with the APAC Regional Office in building synergy and prevent duplication of efforts.

RASCF-APAC/11 - OVERVIEW

- The Forum returned to a physical meeting for the 1st time since the pandemic and was conducted from 26 – 27 July 2023 at the ICAO APAC office Conference Hall in Bangkok, Thailand

- Mr. Tao Ma, Regional Director ICAO Asia and Pacific provided the Opening Remark with a warm welcome to the participants in the in-person meeting

- The Forum elected a new Chair and Vice-chair, Mr. Michael Burke, Acting First Assistant Secretary, Industry Partnerships and Infrastructure Policy, Department of Home Affairs, Australia and Mr. Douglas Yeo, Director Security Policy and Emergency Preparedness, Ministry of Transport, Singapore, were elected as the Chair and Vice-chair respectively

RASCF-APAC/11 - OVERVIEW

- The Forum was attended by 58 participants from 19 States/Administrations and 4 aviation security partners (International Organization and Industry Partners)

- A total of 23 Discussion Papers and/or Presentations with 3 Information Papers were delivered during the in person Forum over the two days

- A workshop exercise was introduced as an activity for the participation and deliberation among members of the Forum

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- **AGENDA ITEM 2: ICAO INFORMATION UPDATES**
  The Secretariat provided updates on the ICAO development works on AVSEC and FAL, particularly in the areas on the latest findings from the USAP-CMA audit results and analysis, developments works in Aviation Security and Cybersecurity and the ICAO Facilitation Programme

- **AGENDA ITEM 3: GASeP AND APAC ROADMAP IMPLEMENTATION STATUS**
  a) Several States/IOs presented on their continuing works with respect to achieving one or more of the five Priority Outcomes of the GASeP.
  b) A common focus on the development of human capacity in AVSEC and the adoption of modern technology in addressing AVSEC staff shortage while enhancing both the security and facilitation aspects throughout the journey of a passenger

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- <u>AGENDA ITEM 4: WORKSHOP SESSION ON RISK ASSESSEMENT METHODOLOGY</u>

  Participants deliberated in groups on applying risk assessment methodology in different threat scenarios, namely on Landside Security, Insider Threat and a third localized scenario to be developed by the participants in accordance to the individual environment in their States.

  Workshop concluded with participants having a better understanding on the systematic approach to risk assessment and the essential aspect of an effective risk management system in determining the appropriate security measures in addressing a threat scenario.

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- AGENDA ITEM 5: IMPLEMENTATION, CAPACITY BUILDING SUPPORT AND REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

    a) The Forum was updated on the progress works of ICAO (by ISD-SEC) and CASP-AP work plans, AVSEC training, assistance and capacity development activities

    b) New Zealand and the Pacific Aviation Safety Office (PASO) presented their experience and their on-going assistance and capacity-building efforts in the Pacific region with invitation to ICAO, larger States and development partners to also share their experience in supporting the region

RASCF- OVERVIEW

- Future RASCF is expected to continue with in-person meetings and whenever possible, to be held back to back with the annual Steering Committee Meeting of the CASP-AP as in the past so as to facilitate the travel and participation of the Member States.