

**ASSEMBLY – 31ST SESSION****EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Agenda Item 13: Aviation Security

Agenda Item 18: Role of ICAO in the United Nations International Drug Control Programme

(Presented by the Islamic Republic of Iran)

SUMMARY

In brief, this paper presents proposals for establishing intelligence units in close coordination with ICAO Regional Offices in the interest of drug control and implementation of Resolution A29-16 (Role of ICAO in the prevention of substance abuse in the workplace) as well as aviation security.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The 29th Assembly, according to Resolution A29-16, "*declares* its strong support for making and maintaining civil aviation workplaces free of substance abuse and encourages co-operative efforts throughout the international civil aviation community to educate employees on the dangers of substance abuse and to take steps, when deemed necessary, to detect and deter such use, and, through such efforts, to ensure that substance abuse never becomes prevalent or tolerated within international civil aviation."

1.2 The 90th decade has been called "the time of communication", and it is believed that human society's development and progress will be realized through the means of communication.

1.3 Nowadays, computers cause a great change in various fields. If these new technologies can be used correctly in a beneficial manner, relationships between states and organizations could be established rapidly at an international level by processing and generalizing.

1.4 No country can continue to exist among others without international relations, cooperation and coordination, particularly in the field of intelligence, in which an exchange of information may be achieved either by meetings of authorities in charge or through computers and software.

2.1 International terrorism appears in various ways all around the world. In addition to committing acts of unlawful interference which endanger the safety of aircraft operations and their occupants, terrorists engage in the transportation of drugs and narcotics. Saboteurs with their new methods are always deceiving airport security staff.

2.2 Referring to Resolution A29-16, in order to prevent acts of unlawful interference against civil aviation and to avoid the transportation of narcotics through new and modern methods, it is proposed that:

2.2.1 A unit to be established in ICAO Regional Offices entitled "Intelligence Section" similar in nature to INTERPOL, in order to receive and distribute the necessary information regarding any acts of unlawful interference and drug trafficking.

2.2.2 The unit concerned will provide and distribute bulletins reporting on investigations of different cases which have occurred in Contracting States under the accreditation of the Regional Office.

2.2.3 The Contracting States inform the unit of the outcome of drug and narcotic trafficking incidents.

2.2.4 The above-mentioned unit processes the information received and publishes this data as training notes and references for the security staff of Contracting States.

2.2.5 Contracting States take corresponding security measures for departures and arrivals and inform security staff about the destination of any suspicious aircraft and passengers or their belongings and cargo.

2.2.6 Contracting States pre-plan the budget required for training and related security programs.

3. **ACTION REQUIRED:**

3.1 The Assembly is invited to note this paper and to request the Council to discuss the proposals and advise its Regional Offices.

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