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# XX LACAC ORDINARY ASSEMBLY

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Item 11 of the agenda:

# Other subjects

• U.S. Climate Action Plan to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

(Working paper presented by the Federal Aviation Administration of the United States of America)

## 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The United States is committed to addressing the impact of climate change on commercial aviation and is pursuing a multi-pronged approach to achieve greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions. In this regard, the United States recently submitted its Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Plan to the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), along with a number of other ICAO Contracting States.

#### 2. DISCUSSION

- 2.1 ICAO Assembly Resolution A37-19 encourages Contracting States to submit action plans, on a voluntary basis to ICAO, detailing the policies and actions each State is taking to address aviation carbon emissions.
- 2.2 Consistent with the Assembly Resolution A37-19, the United States submitted its Action Plan to ICAO in June 2012.
- 2.3 The U.S. plan provides a snapshot of the actions that the United States Government is taking, in collaboration with stakeholders, to reduce GHG emissions from aviation. These actions include technology development, operational improvement, development and deployment of sustainable alternative aviation fuels, and implementation of policies and measures.
- 2.4 The U.S. Aviation Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Plan submitted to ICAO in June 2012 is attached as an appendix to this paper and is available on the FAA web-site at: http://www.faa.gov/about/office\_org/headquarters\_offices/apl/environ\_policy\_guidance/policy/

# 3. ACTION REQUESTED BY THE ASSEMBLY

- 3.1 The Assembly is invited to note the information contained in this Paper and to submit individual or regional action plans to ICAO to assist in demonstrating the commitment of ICAO States to the global goal of reducing emissions from international aviation.
- 3.2 The Federal Aviation Administration invites the Directors General of Civil Aviation in Latin America and the Caribbean to contact the FAA Office of Environment and Energy to discuss various aspects of developing an action plan and to explore opportunities for future collaboration to reduce GHG emissions from aviation.