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Our Invited Guests,

All protocols observed,

Good morning,

It is indeed a great pleasure for me to welcome you to this first-ever aviation training TRAINAIR PLUS Course Developers and Instructors Standardization Meetings being held in Kenya.

That many of you have travelled long distances serves to remind us all just how important it is to improve the capacity and quality of aviation training.

We are honored to have Capt. Mostafa Hoummady (Canadian Aviation Consulting Group), Ms. Bonnie McEachern and Ms. Cynthia Alkhorri from ICAO Global Aviation Training with us today. All of them are esteemed specialists who bring to us their passion and knowledge in aviation training.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

In achieving the Authority's mandate of providing training for the aviation sector in Kenya, we are dedicated through EASA to conduct specialized training in aviation in various fields. The Government of Kenya has continued to give enormous support to EASA in the areas of:

- Infrastructure development,
- Human Resource Capacity and
- Buildings and specialized equipment acquisition.

Therefore, Kenya expects EASA to deliver high standards of training courses on behalf of the KCAA and the country.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

There is evident pressure on States to improve on efficiency, capacity, safety and security in the aviation. Several challenges continue to emerge and get more complex:

- World commercial fleet expected to double
- There exists shortage of next generation of aviation professionals
- More Regulations need to be implemented
- Countries and carriers continue to experience more diverse operating environment

Human capital development is key in addressing current and emerging safety challenges proactively to ensure that this significant capacity expansion is carefully managed and supported through strategic training developments.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Africa currently has 12 members of TRAINAIR PLUS. 4 of those 12 institutions that were elevated to RTCE between December 2014 and August 2015 include the East African School of Aviation (EASA-Kenya)

EASA was given two areas of specialization as follows:

- Flight Safety and Safety Management (Annexes 1, 6, 7, 8, 13, 18 and 19)
- Security and Facilitation (Annexes 9 and 17)

Aviation safety and security are prerequisites for economic growth and integration in any country.

Specific benefits include:

- Responsibility for the development and delivery of ICAO training courses in one or more of the authorized areas for global implementation i.e. ICAO Training Packages (ITPs) and ICAO Compliance Packages (ICP).
- Authorization to use ICAO provisions (Chicago Convention, its Annexes and related guidelines) to enhance the quality of aviation training delivered to Member States.
- Enhanced training delivery to Member States

- Authorization to host courses Standardized Training Packages (STPs) from ICAO Library

Indeed, Kenya is honored to host this first ICAO Regional Course Developers and Instructors Standardization Workshop. This serves to cement the commitment by the government. We thank the entire EASA fraternity, for their efforts in addressing the challenges afore mentioned.

In conclusion, on behalf of the Director General, it is my prayer that we all take advantage of the knowledge sharing opportunity that has been presented to us through this Forum.

Thank you.