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# SINGAPORE STEPS UP SUPPORT FOR AFRICA AND THE CARIBBEAN IN AVIATION TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

CAAS signs new MOUs with Cameroon, the Comoros, and Guyana

Singapore is stepping up support for Africa and the Caribbean in aviation training and development through the signing of three new Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) between the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) and the civil aviation authorities of Cameroon, the Comoros and Guyana respectively. CAAS is a firm supporter of human capital development and has trained over 160,000 aviation professionals from over 200 States, including from Africa and the Caribbean. The new MOUs will allow CAAS to step up engagement to support more countries in these regions in growing aviation. The signings took place on the side of the 42<sup>nd</sup> International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Assembly in Montreal, Canada, where Singapore was re-elected to the ICAO Council with the record highest number of votes since Singapore first joined the ICAO Council in 2003 and in ICAO's history.

MOUs with Cameroon and the Comoros

The MOUs with Cameroon and the Comoros were signed on 25 September 2025 by Mr Han Kok Juan, Director-General of the CAAS, with Mdm Paule Avomo Assoumou Koki, Director-General of the Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority and Mr Abdou Mondoha Abdillah, Director-General of the National Civil Aviation Authority of the Comoros respectively. Under

the MOUs, CAAS will work with the Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority and the National Civil Aviation Authority of the Comoros respectively to:

- a) Exchange information and best practices in areas of mutual interest such as civil aviation administration and management, the ICAO Universal Safety Oversight Audit Program Continuous Monitoring Approach (USOAP-CMA), the ICAO Universal Security Audit Program Continuous Monitoring Approach (USAP-CMA) and the use of technology in air traffic management and safety monitoring.
- b) Develop capacity building training programmes in areas such as safety oversight, aircraft certification, air traffic management, and compliance with ICAO standards; these programmes may be jointly delivered in the respective States, Singapore or virtually.
- The new MOUs build on existing training cooperation between Singapore and the African region. From 2025 to 2028, CAAS will support States in the African region in their capacity building through 195 fellowships, eight scholarships for the Singapore-ICAO Next Generation of Aviation Professionals Programme and 12 in-region training programmes conducted by the Singapore Aviation Academy, the training arm of CAAS.

#### MOU with Guyana

The MOU with Guyana was signed by Mr Han and Mr Egbert Field, Director-General of the Guyana Civil Aviation Authority on 29 September 2025. Under the MOU, CAAS will collaborate with the Guyana Civil Aviation Authority on the delivery of training programmes by the Singapore Aviation Academy, and on exchanging information and experiences in areas such as human resources management and air transport regulation. This will build on

the existing training cooperation between Singapore and states in the Caribbean region, which includes fellowships for training in Singapore and in-region training programmes.

Mr Han said, "As a member of the international aviation community and the ICAO Council, Singapore is deeply committed to sharing our expertise and experience, to help support aviation development around the world. We are honoured to partner Cameroon, the Comoros and Guyana and hope that the partnership can help build mindshare for Singapore and bring our countries and people closer together."

### **About the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore**

The mission of the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) is to grow a safe, vibrant air hub and civil aviation system, making a key contribution to Singapore's success. CAAS' roles are to oversee and promote safety in the aviation industry, develop the air hub and aviation industry, provide air navigation services, provide aviation training for human resource development, and contribute to the development of international civil aviation. For more information, visit www.caas.gov.sg.

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