



Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the honor to inform you that the Seminar for Civil Aviation, Security and Airport Authorities: African Aviation Operations to the United States will be held from 21 to 22 April, 2009, in Dakar, Senegal.

I would like to encourage your organization's representatives to participate in this important seminar, which is being organized jointly by the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and Transportation Security Administration (TSA), and its partners, African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC-CAFAEC), Agence Nationale de l'Aviation Civile du Sénégal (ANACS), and International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

This seminar's purpose is to outline the necessary steps that *an individual air carrier* must take to begin international air transport operations to the United States, and walk participants through all phases of the approval process. The seminar is also very important for *Civil Aviation Authorities (CAA)*, *Airport Operators* and *Security Agencies* because it will cover their responsibilities with regard to these operations.

The major items to be covered are those required before conducting foreign air transportation operations to the United States:

- Economic authority from the U.S. DOT.
- Security requirements and all phases of the TSA approval process.
- Operations specifications and other safety requirements of the FAA.

The seminar will begin on Tuesday, April 21, 2009, at the Pullman Teranga Hotel, in Dakar, Senegal, and conclude on Wednesday afternoon, April 22, 2009. The fee for the seminar, CFA **100,000** (equivalent of US\$ 200) per participant, covers materials, coffee breaks and lunch, and is payable upon arrival the first day of the Seminar. Simultaneous interpretation (English & French) will be provided. Agenda and registration forms are attached. Note: Registration deadline is March 27, 2009.

I hope you will be able to join us in Dakar for this important aviation event. Please include your technical experts (CAA, airline, airport, security...), as appropriate, to contribute to this seminar's success.

Sincerely,

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