

June 13, 2022

The Honorable Kamala D. Harris President of the Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam President:

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REPORT TO CONGRESS: Federal Aviation Administration Fiscal Year 2021 Assistance to Foreign Aviation Authorities

Title 49 of the United States Code § 40113(e)(4)

INTRODUCTION

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) submits this report to Congress in compliance with Title 49 of the United States Code (49 U.S.C.) § 40113(e)(4), which states:

Reporting.—

Not later than December 31, 1995, and annually thereafter, the Administrator shall transmit to Congress a list of the foreign aviation authorities to which the Administrator provided services under this subsection in the preceding fiscal year. Such list shall specify the dollar value of such services and any reimbursement received for such services.

Under § 40113(e)(1), the Administrator may provide safety-related training and operational services to foreign aviation authorities (whether public or private), with or without reimbursement, if the Administrator determines that providing such services promotes aviation safety or efficiency. This report specifies the dollar value of services provided under §40113(3), the amount of potential reimbursement that the FAA waived, and any reimbursement the FAA received for such services.

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2021, the FAA provided approximately \$4.3 million in technical assistance to foreign civil aviation authorities, \$2.5 million of which the FAA waived. Under \$40113(e)(2), the FAA waived reimbursement for assistance to Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Cabo Verde, Gambia, Indonesia, Kenya, Sierra Leone, and Thailand because these countries were unable to provide reimbursement. As permitted by law, the FAA waived reimbursement by The Bahamas, Mexico, and South Africa when the Administrator determined that providing services would promote aviation safety and benefit the American flying public. In addition, the FAA waived reimbursement for the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and the United Kingdom for multiple FAA secondments/temporary assignments that directly supported measures to improve global aviation safety through the FAA's global leadership.

When evaluating a foreign government's request for a waiver of reimbursement, the FAA considers the number of U.S. citizens traveling to that country, the number and frequency of American flag air carriers operating into that country, and the need for improved aviation safety standards in that country.

BACKGROUND

The FAA's technical assistance programs facilitate the delivery of FAA experts and knowledge to foreign civil aviation authorities around the world. The FAA enters into agreements for the provision of services on a government-to-government basis, generally between the FAA and a foreign civil aviation authority. The recipient country generally reimburses the FAA for the cost of the technical assistance.

The FAA has more than 450 technical assistance agreements with other countries. These agreements cover the entire spectrum of civil aviation activities and include:

Training: Each year, the FAA arranges training for international officials from more than 15 countries at the FAA Academy and U.S. industry and academic institutions.

Flight Inspection: FAA flight inspection crews inspect and calibrate navigational aids worldwide.

Equipment: The FAA supplies other countries with new and used equipment common to the FAA National Airspace System.

Spare Parts and Repair Services: Civil aviation authorities are encouraged to obtain spare parts and to repair equipment through the FAA.

Cooperative Agreements: Cooperative agreements are arranged with foreign aviation authorities to exchange technical information and pursue joint technical projects, including research, engineering, and development activities.

In-country Technical Assistance: FAA experts work with other countries to improve aviation safety. The FAA dispatches experts on short-term assignments to address specific problems and conduct surveys, studies, etc. Long-term assistance is provided by civil aviation assistance groups composed of resident FAA advisers who assist in the development of a country's aviation system. The FAA has provided experts in areas including:

- Systems design and planning
- Equipment installation and maintenance
- Airworthiness maintenance
- Type certification
- Air traffic control procedures
- Airport operations and standards

ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO FOREIGN AVIATION AUTHORITIES BY THE FAA, FY 2021

	VALUE OF	REIMBURSEMENT	
COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION	SERVICES	WAIVED	COLLECTIONS
Afghanistan	\$470,022.48	\$34,816.48	\$435,206.00
The Bahamas	\$237,704.76	\$78,344.76	\$159,360.00
Bangladesh	\$107,014.00	\$107,014.00	\$0.00
Barbados	\$44,939.44	\$0.00	\$44,939.44
Belize	\$15,133.76	\$0.00	\$15,133.76
Bermuda	\$20,105.78	\$0.00	\$20,105.78
Cabo Verde	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$0.00
Central American Corporation for Air Navigation Services	\$234,255.54	\$0.00	\$234,255.54
Costa Rica	\$36,167.16	\$0.00	\$36,167.16
Dominican Republic	\$117,232.40	\$0.00	\$117,232.40
El Salvador	\$41,169.86	\$0.00	\$41,169.86
Gambia	\$3,450.00	\$3,450.00	\$0.00
Guatemala	\$17,527.16	\$0.00	\$17,527.16
Honduras	\$60,286.00	\$0.00	\$60,286.00
International Civil Aviation Organization	\$1,830,938.00	\$1,830,938.00	\$0.00
India	\$632.00	\$0.00	\$632.00
Indonesia	\$52,296.00	\$52,296.00	\$0.00
Jamaica	\$3,440.00	\$0.00	\$3,440.00
Kenya	\$29,709.00	\$29,709.00	\$0.00
Mexico	\$365,134.00	\$188,417.00	\$176,717.00
Nicaragua	\$9,988.05	\$0.00	\$9,988.05
Panama	\$127,571.97	\$0.00	\$127,571.97
Sierra Leone	\$4,650.00	\$4,650.00	\$0.00
South Africa	\$2,523.18	\$2,523.18	\$0.00
Spain	\$1,353.00	\$0.00	\$1,353.00
Thailand	\$102,623.00	\$102,623.00	\$0.00
United Kingdom	\$389,218.00	\$109,538.00	\$279,680.00
TOTAL	\$4,325,984.54	\$2,545,219.42	\$1,780,765.12