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Subject: Satellite Data-link Operational Continuity
Meeting to review the performance and provision of
satellite data-link communications in the
Asia and Pacific Regions
(Bangkok, Thailand 1 to 3 December 2008)

Action Req'd: Reply at your earliest convenience,
preferably, **before 10 November 2008**

Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to refer to the discussions that took place in the Nineteenth Meeting of APANPIRG regarding the technical and funding issues associated with the satellite data-link service provision and the consequential operational impact due to the rapid growth of civil aviation. The Meeting agreed that the operational problem needs solution and the satellite communication issue should be urgently addressed. In view of the foregoing, the Meeting adopted the following Conclusion:

Conclusion 19/24 – Satellite Communications Service Performance

That,

- a) States and International Organizations be requested to liaise with satellite service providers to establish a mechanism to maintain and modernize the satellite communication infrastructure; and
- b) ICAO be invited to organize a meeting by the end 2008 for stakeholders to review the performance and provision of satellite data-link communications in the Asia/Pacific and find a solution.

To meet the requirements of b) of the Conclusion, a Satellite Data-link Operational Continuity Meeting to review the performance and provisions of satellite data-link communication in the region has been organized in the ICAO Asia/Pacific Office from 1 to 3 December 2008. I have the honor to invite your Administration to participate in the Meeting.

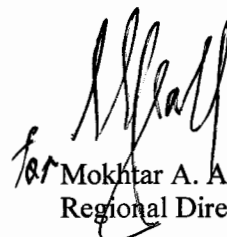
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A provisional agenda for the Meeting is provided at Attachment A to this letter. A meeting bulletin containing information about the arrangements for the Meeting is provided in Attachment B. Information about hotel accommodation and other useful information can be found on ICAO website at <http://www.bangkok.icao.int/infr.html>.

I would be grateful, if you could send to this Office at your earliest convenience, preferably **before 10 November 2008**, the names(s) of your delegate(s) that will be attending the Meeting. The form for this purpose is in Attachment C.

Working/information papers in electronic format (MS Word) for presentation in the Meeting should be provided at your earliest convenience and **no later than 24 November 2008**.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurance of my highest consideration.


for Mokhtar A. Awan
Regional Director

Enclosures:

Attachment A - Provisional Meeting Agenda
Attachment B - Meeting Bulletin
Attachment C - Nomination Form