Aviation Security: Promoting Best Practices

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AVIATION SECURITY: PROMOTING BEST PRACTICES
INTERDEPARTMENTAL COOPERATION TO PROMOTE EFFECTIVE RISK ASSESSMENT

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Introduction:
• domestic coordination of a specific decision making process
• purpose of Canada’s “interdepartmental working group on aviation and security”
• how the process works
• best practices highlighted and benefits to a coordinated approach

INTERNATIONAL SECURITY
• CANADA SUPPORTS INTERNATIONAL AVIATION SECURITY
• MEMBERSHIP in: APEC, arf, UN, G8, OAS, OSCE, ICAO, WA

DOMESTIC COORDINATION
• TRANSPORT CANADA LEADS ON AVIATION SAFETY AND SECURITY
• INTERNATIONALLY WE RECOGNIZE MEMBER ECONOMIES MUST COORDINATE THEIR EFFORTS
• THE SAME IS TRUE FOR GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS

DOMESTIC COORDINATION
IWGAS — Chaired by Transport Canada, is the Interdepartmental Working Group on Aviation and Security

Members: Core Departments – Transport Canada, Foreign Affairs & International Trade, RCMP, CBSA, CSIS, Public Safety, PCO

PURPOSE OF IWGAS
DECISION MAKING PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS POLICY AND ADDRESSES SPECIFIC CHALLENGES TO AVIATION AND NATIONAL SECURITY
IWGAS - PROCESS

- MEETS MONTHLY
- AD HOC COMMUNICATIONS
- INFORMATION IS SENSITIVE
- MEMBERS HAVE APPROPRIATE SECURITY CLEARANCE
- SECURITY, SAFETY, ECONOMIC, POLITICAL, BILATERAL COUNTRY ISSUES ADDRESSED

IWGAS PROCESS CONT...

- TRANSPORT CANADA RECEIVES APPLICATION FOR FOAC
- IWGAS MEMBERS NOTIFIED AND INFO REQUESTED BACK
- RED LIGHT/ GREEN LIGHT
- INTELLIGENCE ANALYSIS
- COORDINATED DECISION BY MEMBERS

IWGAS PROCESS CONT...

- DECISION OF MEMBERS COMMUNICATED TO SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM
- TRANSPORT CANADA INFORMS MINISTER OF TRANSPORT OF DECISION
- TRANSPORT MINISTER INFORMS CABINET OF DECISION

BEST PRACTICES SUPPORTED

- EFFECTIVE SHARING OF INFORMATION
- COORDINATION OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS
- ACCOUNTABILITY

BENEFITS

- LOW FINANCIAL IMPACT
- DOMESTIC & INTERNATIONAL SAFETY & SECURITY
- LINKS EXPERTS WITHIN GOVERNMENT
- GOVERNMENT-WIDE VISION

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