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In order to promote the sharing of aviation knowledge and expertise globally, the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to establish the ICAO-Singapore Aviation Security Leadership and Management Seminar (LAMS). Raymond Benjamin, Secretary-General, ICAO, and Yap Ong Heng, Director-General, CAAS, signed the MOU in December 2010.

The high-level seminar is targeted at senior management of government aviation organisations, airport authorities, airlines, international aviation organisations and other relevant groups. To be developed by ICAO and run by the Singapore Aviation Academy (SAA), the seminar intends to equip participants with knowledge and expertise on aviation security to allow them to effectively carry out their responsibilities as decision makers. In addition, the seminar aims to enhance states' and industry players' understanding of ICAO aviation security objectives and priorities, international security developments and best practices. The seminar,

to commence third quarter of 2011, will be facilitated by aviation security instructors from ICAO and Singapore.

Such seminars enhance global understand and cooperation in protecting civil aviation from security threats, according to Benjamin. "Civil aviation threats such as terrorism are global problems that require global solutions. Security measures must therefore be uniform and consistently enforced in all countries to be effective," he said. Yap added, "This seminar is timely in the light of the evolving security threats and the developments in aviation security globally. It will significantly contribute to the states enhancing their aviation security preparedness and capabilities."