

The Canadian Government believes that a decision by ICAO to accept and endorse a proposal of this kind would constitute a major step towards rapidly developing an effective international legal framework to deter and prevent hijacking and attacks against civil aviation and significantly contribute towards the maintenance of international air safety.

The Department of External Affairs has been consulting with representatives of a number of member governments of ICAO regarding this renewed Canadian initiative and it is expected that the various delegations at the Council Meeting on September 18 will be in close touch with respect to this matter.