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Subject : **Invitation to the Sixth meeting of the Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of Public Health Events in Civil Aviation (CAPSCA-EUR/06) and Training for Technical Advisors**
(Minsk, Belarus, 12 -14 July 2017)

Action

required: Confirm participation not later than **15 June 2017**

Dear Sir/Madam,

1. I wish to invite your Administration/Organization to participate in the Sixth European meeting of the Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of Public Health Events in Civil Aviation (CAPSCA-EUR/06) and Technical Advisors Training, to be held from 12 to 14 July 2017 in the premises of the Hotel Belarus, in Minsk, Belarus, thanks to the kind invitation by Belarus. The meeting will be jointly organized by the European and North Atlantic Office of ICAO and World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe.

2. The Meeting venue is: Hotel Belarus, Minsk, Storozhovskaya str. 15 (Tel: + 375 17 209 71 06, website: <http://www.hotel-belarus.com/>).

3. The Programme will commence with the CAPSCA-EUR/06 meeting (two days, 12-13 July). Programme outline is at **Attachment A**. Your participation in this Meeting is considered to be very important and we would be grateful if you could register following this link http://aviamed.by/?page_id=1226 at your earliest convenience but not later than **15 June 2017**.

4. There will be a dedicated training session for the CAPSCA EUR Technical Advisors at the Minsk Airport and the Training Centre visit during the third day (14 July 2017). As for practical reasons there may be a limited number of participants, you are kindly requested to indicate your interest to participate when registered and nominate the technical advisors to be trained at your earliest convenience, but also not later than **15 June 2017**. Priority will be given to the participants of the 1st CAPSCA EUR Technical Advisors training session (CAPSCA-EUR/05, Budapest, Hungary, 14 October 2016). The CAPSCA technical advisors may have professional background from Civil Aviation Authority and/or Public Health Sector. To date, twenty-two European States have enrolled in the ICAO CAPSCA-Europe and we are strongly encouraging others to join. There is no membership fee and States can join simply by expressing their wish to join CAPSCA addressed to this office, attention of Mr. Sarantis Poulimenakos, CAPSCA EUR Regional Coordinator (spoulimenakos@paris.icao.int copy to jlevina@paris.icao.int).

5. Participants from public health authorities, as well as civil aviation authorities, airports, air navigation service providers and aircraft operators are welcome at CAPSCA meetings. Accordingly, please forward this invitation to the relevant authorities and to airport, air navigation services providers and aircraft operators.

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cc: C/MED, C/IMP-SAF

6. The working languages will be English and Russian. The contact person for CAPSCA-EUR/06 Meeting in Belarus is:

Mr. Alexander Zhadan, CAPSCA Coordinator from Belarus, e-mail: zhadanalexandr@gmail.com

7. Additional information on the hotels could be found in **Attachement B** and for visa requirements could be found at:

<http://mfa.gov.by/en/visa/visafreetravel/c4bbfb78b29bccdc.html>

http://mfa.gov.by/upload/17.01.11_list_states_eng.pdf

<http://gpk.gov.by/en/#visa>

8. All the documentation of the CAPSCA-EUR/06 Meeting will be also posted on the CAPSCA-EUR web-page of the ICAO EUR/NAT Office.

9. If you require any further information regarding the meeting, please contact the ICAO Paris Office, Mr. Sarantis Poulimenakos (spoulimenakos@paris.icao.int) copy to Ms. Johanna Levina (jlevina@paris.icao.int).

Yours sincerely,

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