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UNIVERSAL SAFETY OVERSIGHT AUDIT PROGRAMME (USOAP) CONTINUOUS MONITORING APPROACH (CMA) — UPDATE OF THE STATE SAFETY PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION ASSESSMENT (SSPIA) TOOLS

1. The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) carries out State Safety Programme Implementation Assessments (SSPIAs), under the framework of the Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme (USOAP) Continuous Monitoring Approach (CMA), to support two of the six primary goals of the Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP), namely, implementation of effective State Safety Programmes (SSPs) and strengthening of States' safety oversight capabilities.
2. As announced in Electronic Bulletin 2021/7 dated 3 February 2021, ICAO published the full set of SSP Protocol Questions (PQs) for all eight areas of the SSPIA, including the associated maturity level matrices, on the USOAP CMA Online Framework (<https://www.icao.int/usoap>), in the “CMA Library” module. The matrices are used in the quantitative assessment of the maturity levels achieved by a State in its SSP implementation and maintenance. They also serve as guidance for review of pertinent evidence for the States.
3. Following beta testing of the SSP PQs in a recent SSPIA mission, ICAO has made changes to the matrices based on lessons learned as well as inputs from internal and external Safety Management stakeholders. There are no changes to the SSP PQs themselves. A Summary of Amendments describing the revisions to the matrices has been added to each of the eight areas of the SSP PQs.
4. The updated set of SSP PQs is now posted in the “CMA Library” module of the USOAP CMA Online Framework. It is available in English, French and Spanish for States' reference.
5. For the SSP PQ Self-Assessment, States that have started or completed their self-assessment are encouraged to review the amendments to the matrices and update their self-assessment accordingly.
6. ICAO will regularly refine and enhance its SSPIA tools in order to conduct SSPIAs more efficiently, as well as provide better support to States in their preparations for SSPIA, and the implementation of effective SSPs.

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