Special meeting of the Counter-Terrorism Committee and CTED technical sessions on “Terrorist Threats to Civil Aviation”

6–7 July 2017, United Nations Headquarters, New York

Logistical note

Venue

The special meeting of the Counter-Terrorism Committee and the CTED-organized technical sessions will be held in Conference Room 3, United Nations Headquarters, New York.

Participants are invited to pick-up a UN grounds pass at the CTED office (220 East 42nd Street 23rd Floor) on 5 July, before 5:30 p.m. (please arrange pick-up in advance with Ms. Nina-Belle Mbayu, mbayun@un.org, +1 (212) 963-1950). Alternatively, participants are requested to arrive at 9:00 a.m. on 6 or 7 July at the UN Visitors Entrance at 1st Avenue and 45th St to obtain a grounds pass and undergo a security check. All participants are requested to bring their passports or other Government-issued identity cards. The passes will be valid for the duration of the special meeting and technical sessions.

Accommodation

Participants are requested to arrange their own accommodation.

Lunch

Lunch may be purchased in the Conference Building.

Presentations

All panellists delivering presentations are requested to share their presentations with Ms. Anne-Maria Seesmaa (CTED) at seesmaa@un.org by 3 July 2017.

Visa requirements

Participants are responsible for their own visa arrangements. If applying for a visa, please present a copy of your invitation letter to the Embassy/Consulate in your home country.

Air arrival/ground transportation

New York City is served by three major airports:

John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK) is around 15 miles outside Manhattan, but traffic is often heavy. New York City taxis offer a flat rate to and from Manhattan (current rate is around $52.00 plus 10/20% tip). Depending on the traffic and time of day, the train is often the best option between Manhattan and JFK. The AirTrain stops at every JFK terminal and connects with both the NYC Subway (Howard Beach and Jamaica stations) and Long Island Railroad (Jamaica Station).
LaGuardia International Airport (LGA) is the closest to Midtown and Upper Manhattan. There are also private bus lines that travel between LGA and midtown (current rate is around $15.00 (Supershuttle and GO Airport Shuttle).

Newark-Liberty International Airport (EWR) in New Jersey is the closest to lower Manhattan. The best route into Manhattan, especially during periods of heavy traffic, is via New Jersey Transit trains, which run frequently and quickly between the airport and New York's Pennsylvania Station (link below). Newark's airport rail station is serviced by Newark AirTrain, which stops at every terminal. The taxi fair to/from Newark will cost around $80.00. 

Language

Simultaneous interpretation in all six official languages of the United Nations will be provided on an on-available basis for the special meeting. The technical sessions will be held in English only.

Electricity

Electric power is standardized in all U.S. states, at 110 Volts and 60 cycles. If you bring any electrical appliance to the U.S., you may need an adaptor to fit the US electrical sockets. You may also need a converter to change the voltage from 110 volts to 220 volts.

Money

The local currency is the U.S. Dollar. Participants can change money at the airport. ATM machines are generally available near stores and shopping areas. Major credit cards (American Express, Visa, Mastercard) are accepted in most hotels, restaurants and shops.

Time


Insurance

The organizers are not liable for damage/health problems that may arise in connection with travel to/from, or during, the event. It is therefore recommended that participants take out their own travel/health insurance prior to departure.