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For Media from Spain, Germany and Pakistan

The 29th February de 2016 ICAO Council approved the recognition of **AIR CRASH VICTIMS' FAMILIES' FEDERATION INTERNATIONAL**, as international organizations that may be invited to attend suitable ICAO meetings as “observer”. Our petition was requested after ACVFFI was set up in Madrid by three Associations from **AVJK5022 - Spain, HIOP AF447 e. V. - Germany and AIRBlue ED202 - Pakistan**, whose **Chairwoman is Pilar Vera, from AVJK5022 and Secretary is Ulrich van Jeinsen from HIOPAF447.**

ICAO is a United Nations Specialized Agency being established in 1944 by the Convention on International Civil Aviation. ICAO works to address problems of international civil aviation and to formulate policies and regulations on global aviation. The Council manages their operations from headquarters in Montreal – Canada.

ACVFFI is the first International Federation of Air Crash Victims recognized by ICAO. It aims to be an umbrella organization for all air crash victims and their families in the world, in order to have a unique voice in front of international community in ICAO. Their knowledge, experience and objectives are for common good, working for achieving more safety and humanity in commercial aviation, focusing on treatment of emergency management, correcting the causes of accidents through independent investigations and equality treatments compensation of damage.

ACVFFI would like to thank to 36 States members of ICAO Council for this recognition and especially to its President, Dr. Aliu, and Spanish Representative in ICAO, Mr. Victor Aguado, for his special support to air crash victims.

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