CAPSCA KENYA

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Introduction of Kenya

Borders Uganda, Tanzania, Sudan, Ethiopia and Somalia
Capital city – Nairobi
Surface area – 580,836 km$^2$

- Main source of income – Agriculture and Tourism
- 47 Counties
- August 2010, promulgated new constitution with fundamental rights.
One of the Seven Wonders of the World
The Kenyan side of the slopes of Mount Kilimanjaro
Plains of Tsavo
Introduction Ct’d’d

- Kenya is one of the five (5) East African Community countries; the others are Tanzania, Uganda, Rwanda and Burundi.

- It is the home of Kenya Airways – The Pride of Africa.
Kenyan International Airports

Kenya has five International Airports:-

- Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (Nairobi)
- Moi International Airport (Mombasa)
- Eldoret International Airport (Eldoret)
- Wajir International Airport (Wajir)
- Kisumu International Airport (Kisumu)
Jomo Kenyatta International Airport – approx 6.2 million passengers in 2010 and 6.7 passengers in 2011.
Moi International Airport
- Mombasa

KENYA AIRWAYS WELCOMES YOU TO MOMBASA
CAPSCA Milestones

- May 2010 CAPSCA was introduced into Kenya by the Nairobi ICAO Regional Office.
- June 8th – 9th 2010 CAPSCA Regional meeting in Nairobi.
- February 28th – 4th March 2011, the Kenyan CAPSCA team participation in Bamako workshop.
- Kenyan Steering CAPSCA Committee appointed in June 2011
Immediately after we wrote to the ICAO Regional office in Nairobi requesting for Assistance visit which was honored and scheduled for 29th – 30th September 2011.

Monthly meetings from March 2011 bore fruit to our first draft Aviation Public Health Pandemic Emergency Plan.

September, 2011 was our CAPSCA month
Activites Held;

The following activities were held;

- 7th September – Review of final draft Aviation Public Health Emergency Plan by CAPSCA Committee
- 15th September – Stakeholders Sensitization forum
- 22nd September - Table top Exercise and Assistance Visit Rehearsal.
- 29th – 30th September - Assistance visit.
- 10th – 14th October CAPSCA Kenyan team to present our plan and share our experience with the rest of the CAPSCA family in Abuja.
The Aviation Public Health Emergency Plan was developed using the International Civil Aviation Organization Template for a National Aviation Public Health Emergency Preparedness Plan.

The document will be integrated in the Airport Emergency and the National Disaster Management Plan. (Talks are on-going).
Emerging Issues in the Region
Ebola Hemorrhagic Fever

- Ebola hemorrhagic fever is one of the deadliest of a group of diseases called viral hemorrhagic fevers.
- They range in seriousness from relatively mild illnesses to severe and potentially fatal diseases.
Outbreak in Uganda

- 6 – 8 daily flights between Nairobi and Entebbe
- 29th Jul 2012, MOH Uganda notified WHO of the outbreak in Kabaare District
- 19 cases were confirmed with 14 deaths
- Response – Alert Green (Phase 1)
  - Distant isolated local cases of human transmission.
  - Threat of human-to-human infection remained low.
  - Strategies were set up to increased vigilance and made preparations to meet the potential threat in Kenya.
Ebola – Frequently Asked Questions [Kenya Airways Staff]

1. How long does the virus survive outside the human body?
2. Am I at risk of contracting the infection by handling an infected passenger’s passport?
3. Am I at risk of contracting the infection by handling an infected passenger’s baggage?
4. Should I contract the infection, how fast will I die?
5. Do wet wipes, hand sanitizers and alcohol hand rubbing prevent infection?
6. Must we fly to Entebbe?
Pros...

1. Team work in sharing of information
2. Communication - Gov’t/CDC/WHO
3. Case definitions by the Gov’t and CDC

Cons...

1. Lack of standardized response by responders (SOPs in the Kenya Public Health Preparedness Plan yet to be completed)
2. Some airlines don’t have UPKs (Universal Precaution Kit)
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