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PNG Green House Gas action plan: Schnaubelt

PAPUA New Guinea has a Green House Gas (GHG) action plan, says Transport and Civil Aviation Minister Walter Schnaubelt.

Minister Schnaubelt made this statement during the 41st International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) Assembly in Montreal, Canada.

He said the challenges and opportunities for international aviation decarbonisation faced by PNG are huge.

"In the last two decades PNG has seen considerable physical infrastructure development, coupled with deforestation and farming.

"The use of fossil fuel has also increased in the energy, transport, mining and extractive industries. The impacts of climate change are too close to home.

"Rising sea levels displacing communities, changing weather patterns and increased intensity of cyclones, for example, are clear impacts," he told the ICAO Assembly.

He said PNG's main emission reduction and mitigation is through environmental protection via the primary legislation and subordinate operating regulations (Carbon Offsetting Reduction Scheme for International Aviation - CORSIA). This will involve the drafting of



Dr. Ranni Leon Taridi (left), Director General for UK Civil Aviation and Director General Aviation, Maritime & Security Group, Dept of Transport, UK and Honourable Walter Schnaubelt, Minister for Transport and Civil Aviation with the Declaration.

regulation to transpose ICAO rules into PNG regulation.

The Minister also noted PNG's enhanced Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) submitted to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in

2020 is in line with PNG's Vision 2050 as well as PNG's Climate Compatible Development Management Policy accords.

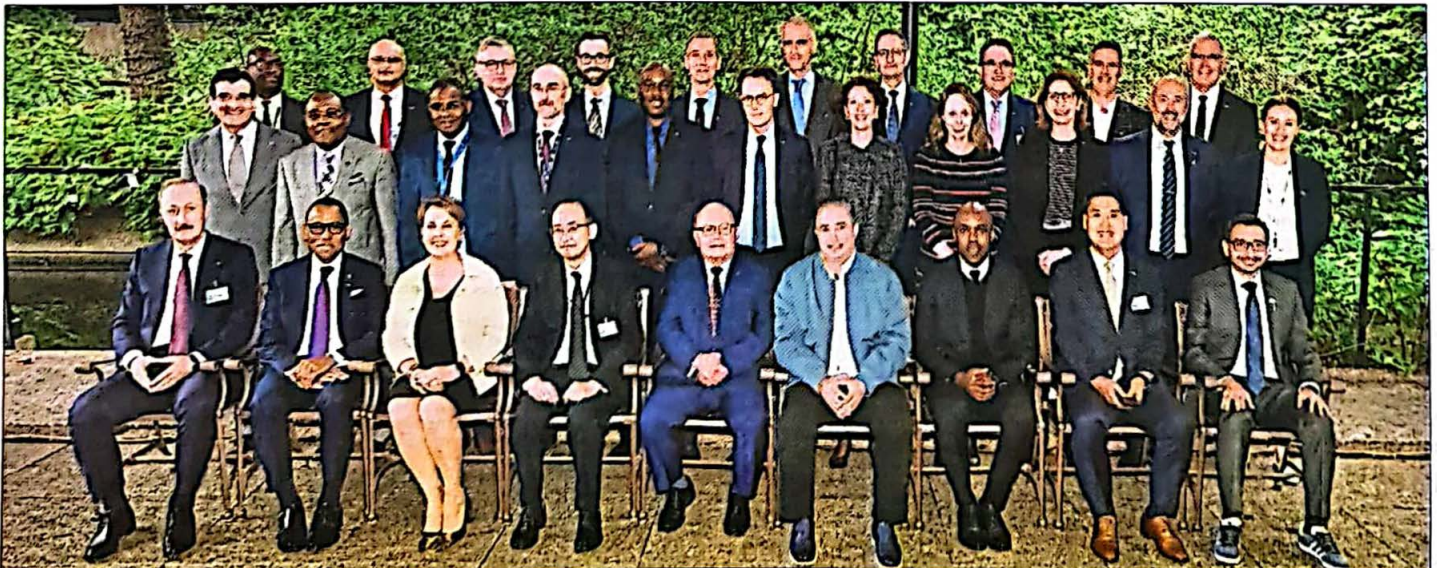
"The Policy outlines the Government's commitment, to be 50% carbon neutral by 2030 and be entirely carbon neutral by 2050."

He further highlighted the challenges that PNG is faced with, and will face when looking into progressing the implementation of the aviation CO2 emission reduction measures which include:

- Financial resources;
- Human capital; and
- Capacity building in infrastructure and Data Management Systems, etc.

Minister Schnaubelt said in order for PNG to progress the implementation of the aviation CO2 emission reduction measures, is to work together with other states, through different platforms, sharing knowledge and resources.

"The cooperation between the PNG Department of Transport (State), the PNG aviation entities and the airline operators, is crucial in establishing PNG's CO2 emission baseline data and for the ongoing measuring, monitoring, verifying and reporting of data, as well as, the implementation of the relevant emission reduction measures."



PNG joins the International Aviation Climate Ambition Coalition after attending the 41st International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) Assembly in Montreal, Canada.