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## S.A.C.A.A. STANCE EMBOLDENS INDUSTRY TO ACT ASSERTIVELY AGAINST HARMFUL ENGINE RULING

The AIC 18.19 Task Team considers a stalemate position to have been created with the SACAA following the latter's public statement of 14 June 2025 refuting the seriousness of the situation brought about by the 12-year engine overhaul ruling being imposed indiscriminately while dismissing the countrywide havoc being created among aircraft owners and operators alike. Complaints and pledges of support have been streaming in to the various industry representative bodies now united in their endeavours to bring about change.

The Task Team subsequently condemns and repudiates the defiant stance taken by the SACAA in its statement in the strongest possible terms. The position adopted by the Authority is having the countereffect of which they intended, in that there has been a strengthening widespread determination and resolve on the part of the industry to act assertively and collectively to have the ruling set aside and amended. The Task Team's opposing stance is that all options to seek a resolution have now been exhausted and all rights are being reserved to resort to an alternative course of action.

The Task Team considers the invitation by the SACAA to engage in talks, after first publicly refuting the position of the industry, to be in bad taste if not in bad faith. There has been no inter-action with the industry before doing away with AIC 18.19. The Task Team, on behalf of all applicants in the court process, reserves all rights to deal with allegations made by the SACAA in the public statement, to allow a proper ventilation of the matter through a proper legal process. A statement in this regard may be expected shortly. **[End]** 

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