

OPENING REMARKS
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ON THE JOINTLY ORGANIZED ATTORNEY GENERAL ALLIANCE (AGA),UCAA AVIATION
POLICE WORKSHOP ON CYBER SECURITY AND ANTI -MONEY LAUNDERING
HELD IN UGANDA, AT ADMAS GRAND HOTEL, ENTEBBE, FROM 12-13 MAY, 2022

Representatives from Attorney General Alliance / AGA Africa
Workshop Facilitators,
Workshop Participants (UCAA, AVPOL & sister Agencies),
Ladies and gentlemen,

Let me take this opportunity to welcome you all to this two day workshop on cyber security and Anti Money Laundering. Attorney General Alliance (AGA) in partnership with Uganda Civil Aviation Authority (UCAA) and Uganda Police- (Aviation Police) is hosting a 2-days workshop on cyber security and Anti-money Laundering from 12-13 May, 2022.

As you are all aware, the threat posed by cyber security and Anti Money Laundering to the aviation security in particular and national security in general in general cannot be over emphasized. In view of this, we re- assert our commitment towards participating in strategic and collaborative arrangements geared towards fighting these transnational criminal organizations and their associated crimes.

The Workshop will build on the AGA previous training on anti- money laundering and anti- human trafficking with the aviation Police and UCAA as part of our commitment to build and sustain strategic and collaborative relationships for increasing the efficiency of efforts to fight transnational criminal organisations , and their associated crimes such as human trafficking and terrorism in Africa.

This workshop is graced by a representative from the Attorney General Alliance (AGA) Africa, Ms. Caroline Mbabazi.

I take this opportunity to welcome our Workshop facilitators, namely:

- Mr. Jimmy Haguma;
- Dr. Bright Gameli;
- Ms. Rachel Heintz;
- Marion Acio;
- Keneth Muhangi; and
- Mercy Buku.

The Workshop is being attended by approximately fifty (50) participants and investigators from Aviation Police, Uganda CAA (UCAA) & sister Agencies and we expect that they will actively participate, benefit fully from the training, will gain knowledge and skills needed by the government of Uganda, specifically law enforcement agencies and prosecutors to effectively detect, deter, investigate and prosecute offenders involved in offences related to Money Laundering and cybercrime in the country.

It is also expected that at the end of the workshop, the shared knowledge and experiences amongst the participants and between the facilitators and participants will go a long way in promotion of implementation of best practices and boosting confidence levels in handling such crimes.

As you may be aware, the government of Uganda has undertaken a number of steps in combating cybercrime, which include enacting a law on cybercrimes, formulation of policies and procedures on information and communications technology, formation of working groups and committees, in addition to conducting awareness training at various levels.

The importance of partnership and collaboration in training Workshop is to build capacity and maintaining high Standards in aviation security, detect and deter unauthorised activities and this cannot be over-emphasized. Accordingly, we are all delighted that this type of workshop is possible even in the current circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic.

You are urged to continue observing the COVID-19 SOPs such as wearing a mask and sanitizing.

At this stage, it is worth mentioning and acknowledging the previous training on anti-money laundering and anti-human trafficking, which the State of Uganda received (aviation Police and UCAA).

UCAA embraces the training of Aviation Security Personnel as envisaged in the organizations training policy and coordinating with partners such as AGA, which is a step forward addressing the training needs of Aviation security and safeguarding civil Aviation against crime.

Let me once again express my sincere gratitude to AGA-AFRICA for having initiated the idea of Collaboration and Partnership by hosting and conducting this workshop in Uganda, particularly in the area of Civil Aviation Security. We are grateful and we look forward to continued collaboration in all efforts meant to fight cyber security and anti-money laundering crimes within our country and the entire globe.

Ladies and gentlemen, It is therefore my honour, to wish you participants, fruitful deliberations.

At this juncture, I would like to declare this Cyber Security and Anti-Money Laundering course Opened.

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