January-February 2020
Targeting and risk assessment of passengers are among the core techniques for the advanced identification of suspicious passengers. In supporting this capacity in Lebanon, AIRCOP is implementing a comprehensive capacity building programme on risk assessment and analysis of passenger data for the Lebanese General Security (GS) officials. Funded by Australia, the training programme includes theoretical sessions, practical exercises as well as an exchange visit to an operational Passenger Information Unit (PIU). The first two sessions covered the main elements of passenger data and means to utilize them for risk assessment and were delivered by AIRCOP experts, Bulgarian Customs and INTERPOL with the participation of 26 GS officers from the airport and risk analysis department.

February 2020
AIRCOP organized in Niamey a regional workshop on the implementation of Advance Passenger Information (API) and Passenger Name Record (PNR) systems in West and Central Africa. Under the auspices of the Agence Nationale de l’Aviation Civile (ANAC) Niger, the meeting brought together 14 countries along with AIRCOP’s partners UNOCT, ICAO, IATA, Interpol, UNODC TPB and EUCAP Sahel. Funded by the European Union, the workshop provided tailored advices for all countries interested in implementing API/PNR systems in their airports.

January 2020
Since October 2019, AIRCOP started engaging in Southeast Europe to reinforce airport security. Experts from UNODC, Interpol and WCO conducted a joint assessment in Sarajevo mid-January. The joint assessment was followed by a coordination meeting with the European Union & Western Balkan Training Project (EUWBTP) in Vienna with our key partners Europol, IOM, the Police Cooperation Convention for Southeast Europe (PCSEE), the Center for International Legal Cooperation (CILC), UNOCT, US Customs and Border Protection, INTERPOL and UK Border Force. Both missions resulted in positive outcomes and bright perspectives for AIRCOP in the region.

January 2020
As a result of international cooperation, the JAIF of El Salvador International Airport intercepted a 30 year-old Salvadoran that attempted to reach New York. The Salvadoran was subject of an INTERPOL Red Notice in conjunction with the use of false documents and related crimes in Mexico.