

Chapter 2

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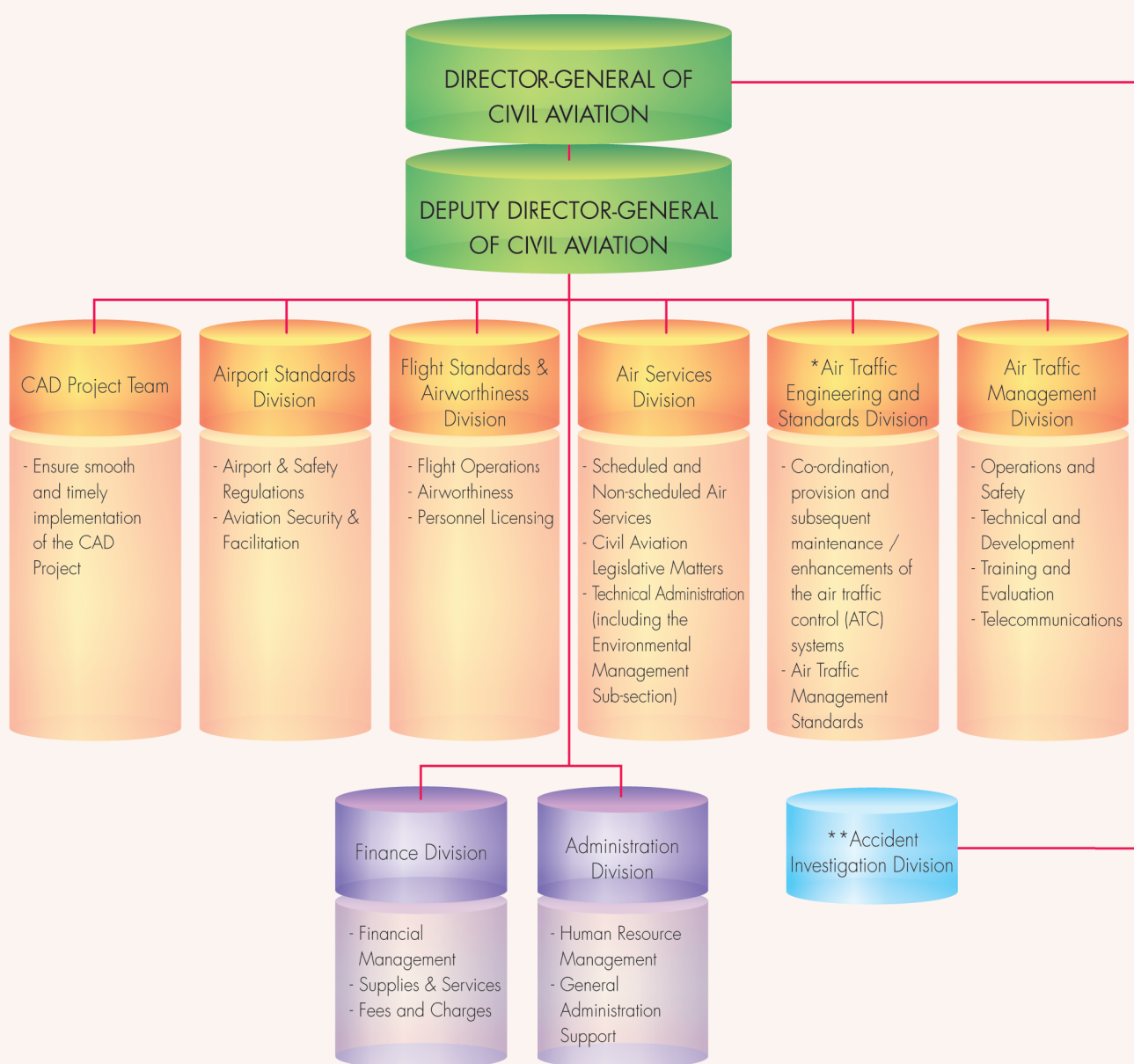
Being the civil aviation authority of Hong Kong, CAD is committed to a safe and efficient air transport system. We strive to accomplish the following missions in a professional manner :

- Positioning Hong Kong as a leading centre of aviation
- Maintaining a safe, orderly and expeditious flow of air traffic
- Providing flight information service and alerting service within the Hong Kong Flight Information Region
- Coordinating search and rescue operations in the event of aircraft emergencies and accidents
- Setting and enforcing aerodrome safety and aviation security standards
- Ensuring compliance of established airworthiness and flight operations standards by Hong Kong registered aircraft and locally based airlines
- Ensuring Hong Kong approved aircraft maintenance organisations comply with international standards
- Ensuring Hong Kong licensed flight crew and aircraft maintenance engineers meet international standards
- Monitoring compliance by airlines with bi-lateral Air Services Agreements
- Developing workable measures to minimise the impact of aircraft noise on local communities



Our Organisation

Organisation Chart as at 31 December, 2008:



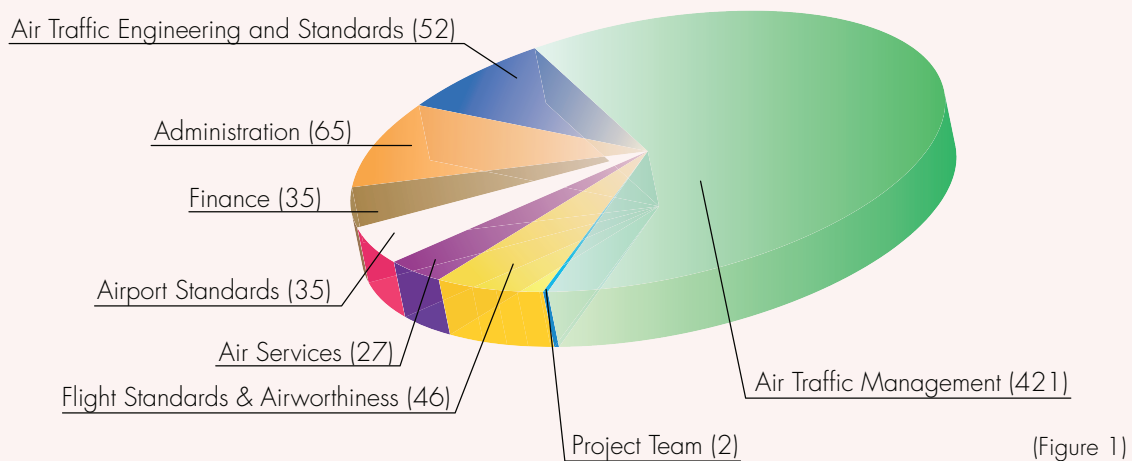
Note :

* The Engineering and Systems Division was renamed as Air Traffic Engineering and Standards Division in April 2008. At the same time, it took over the function of overseeing the air traffic management standards from the Flight Standards & Airworthiness Division.

** The Accident Investigation Division is mobilised only when required by drawing specially trained staff from other Divisions.

Our Staff

As the following chart shows, in 2008 CAD employed 683 people in seven divisions and the Project Team, the largest of which was the Air Traffic Management Division (Figure 1).



Our Facilities

In 2008, we operated six offices to handle our wide-ranging workload (Figure 2).

We also have a number of radar stations, radio navigational aids and communication stations spread over the territory.

