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The assignment covers the requirement to audit aviation security at airports across Egypt, encompassing a review of security and safety procedures, equipment and training. The chosen company will then make recommendations to the government to ensure Egyptian airport security is world-class gold standard, and work alongside the government to support the implementation of the recommendations, additional training of security personnel as well as conducting ongoing and regular assessments.

The government is due to make a decision on which company to appoint in the coming days, following a thorough review of proposals and capabilities. An announcement is expected before the end of December.

The decision to appoint international security experts was made by the government's security committee, established to review and enhance security across airports. The group is headed by the Prime Minister and includes the Interior Ministry, Ministry of Civil Aviation and Ministry of Tourism.

In addition, the government is already working closely with international authorities to enhance security, based on international best practices. Egypt recently passed an audit by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) which included representatives from Russian, Dutch, Emirati and Italian airlines.

Furthermore, Egypt is collaborating with British, German and Russian government delegations which have been reviewing and providing recommendations related to security.

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