

STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF MTF/4 DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Rec/Conc/Dec	Title of Conclusion/Decision	Text of Conclusion/Decision	Follow-up Action (action to be undertaken)	To be initiated by	Status/Action Taken
Dec 4/01	Participation of AFI RODBs to Regular EUR SIGMET Tests	That, ROC Toulouse notifies AFI RODBs on time for their participation to the regular EUR SIGMET Tests	ROC Toulouse to notify AFI RODBs	ROC Toulouse	AFI RODBs notified through email dated 17/01/13
Dec 4/02	Review of previous OPMET related APIRG Conclusions and Decisions	That, the reviewed list of OPMET related APIRG Decisions and Conclusions in the report MTF/4 report be submitted to the MET/SG/11 meeting for further review	Secretariat to undertake the review and develop a working paper to be presented to MET/SG/11 meeting	Secretariat	To be submitted to MET/SG/11
Rec 4/03	Arrangements between Adjacent MWOs for the Provision of SIGMET information	That MWO Providers States that have never issued SIGMETs during SIGMET Tests be assisted by Dakar and Nairobi ICAO regional Offices to establish bilateral arrangements with adjacent operational MWOs as per AFI BASIC ANP, Part VI, paragraph 9, for the provision of SIGMET information awaiting operational implementation of their MWOs.	Recommendation to be submitted to MET/SG/11 for review	Secretariat	To be submitted to MET/SG/11
Rec 4/04	Updating of AFI Regional SIGMET Guide	That, a) the AFI Regional SIGMET Guide, Appendix A &H, be updated to reflect the correct MWO names and location indicators for South Africa as follows: 1) the MWO name as Johannesburg (FAJS); 2) FIRs names and location indicators served as Cape Town FIR (FACA), Johannesburg FIR (FAJA) and Johannesburg Oceanic FIR (FAJO);	Recommendation to be submitted to MET/SG/11 for review	Secretariat	To be submitted to MET/SG/11

		<p>b) The Secretariat update the Regional SIGMET Guide to reflect the outcome of the global review being carried out by the METWSG;</p> <p>c) the heading in Appendix F to the AFI Regional SIGMET guide be revised with a view to replace the word “Standard” with the word “Procedures”, and</p> <p>d) the amended SIGMET Guide given in Appendix F to this report, be endorsed as the AFI Regional SIGMET Guide Ninth Edition, Amendment 3.</p>			
Dec 4/05	Improving the annual RODBs implementation Status report	That, Dakar and Pretoria RODBs issue their respective annual implementation status reports based on the MTF, MET/SG and APIRG decisions and conclusions related to the AFI RODBs	Status reports to be submitted by Dakar and Pretoria RODBs	Dakar and Pretoria RODBs	Implemented
Dec 4/06	Updating of the list of AFI AMBEX Focal Points through invitation letter	That, the secretariat be invited to urge States to ensure that the information regarding their AFI AMBEX FOCAL Point in the Appendix G of the AFI AMBEX Handbook is kept up to date by responding to the invitation letter sent to them every year	Secretariat to invite States through State Letter	Secretariat	Implemented through the Letter of invitation

Dec 4/07	Updating of the AFI AMBEX Handbook	<p>a) The secretariat be invited to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. replace all reference to the satellite segment of the AFS, International Satellite Communication System (ISCS/1 and ISCS/2) in the AFI AMBEX Handbook and other guidance material by “WIFS”. 2. Update paragraph 2.5.2 of the AMBEX HB to reflect that both AFI RODB have implemented internet based facilities for retrieval of OPMET information, and include URLs accordingly 3. Remove the word “as necessary” in paragraph 8.3.4 of the AMBEX HB and 	The amendments to be undertaken by the secretariat	Secretariat	On going by the Core Team on AMBEX
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		4. Undertake the editorial corrections to the AMBEX HB			
Dec 4/08	Establishment of a core team to review the AMBEX Scheme	That, a core team composed of the secretariat, France, Nigeria, Senegal, South Africa and ASCENA be established to review the AMBEX Handbook by taking into consideration the requirements expressed in the AFI MET FASID Tables and improve the exchange scheme and report to the Task Force on time for the MTF/6 meeting	Secretariat to remind States through email correspondence	Secretariat	Core team established
Rec 4/09	Monitoring of OPMET bulletins in coordination with ROC Toulouse	That, the monitoring done by RODBs Pretoria and Dakar and ROC Toulouse be harmonized to ensure that the same bulletins headers, as described in the AFI AMBEX HB, be monitored at all these facilities for comparison and continuous improvement	Recommendation to be submitted to MET/SG/11 for review	Secretariat	To be submitted to MET/SG/11
Rec 4/10	Increasing the availability of OPMET information to users in AFI and ICAO regions	That, AFI Bulletin Compiling Centers (BCCs) and National OPMET Center (NOCs) Provider States: a) take note of their responsibilities regarding the compilation of AFI OPMET Bulletins and initiation of OPMET data respectively as described in the AFI AMBEX HB, and b) be invited to implement the AMBEX scheme accordingly.	Recommendation to be submitted to MET/SG/11 for review	Secretariat	To be submitted to MET/SG/5
Rec 4/11	Implementation of Special air reports	That States be reminded of : a) their responsibilities regarding the dissemination of Special Air Reports and implementation of related existing mechanisms; and b) ATS units of their responsibilities for obtaining dissemination of Special Air Reports to their associated MWOs.	Recommendation to be submitted to MET/SG/11 for review	Secretariat	implemented
Dec 4/12	Finalizing the AFI OPMET Data catalogue	That, Dakar and Pretoria RODB finalizes the AFI OPMET Data catalogue using Appendix 1 to the SADIS User Guide and AFI FASID MET Table 1B on time for the MTF/5 meeting.			

Dec 4/13	Developing of AFI RODBs Back up procedures	That, the Task Force a) Appreciates the work so far undertaken by the core team of experts in developing the AFI RODBs Back up Procedure, and b) Encourage the Core Team to further investigate ways to improve the backup procedures so far developed using contributions from existing backup procedures especially from London and Washington WAFCS.	Backup procedures to be finalized	Secretariat	On going by the Core Team on Back up procedures
Dec 4/14	Transition towards Table Driven Data Representation for OPMET	That, the secretariat liaises with the concerned ICAO study groups to follow-up the regional implication of the roadmap on the transition towards Table –Driven data representation for OPMET, and report on time for the MTF/6 meeting	Reports from relevant operations /study groups to be studied	Secretariat	Clause to enable bi lateral exchange of digital OPMET data proposed in amendment 76 to Annex 3