



**INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANISATION**  
**ANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION REGIONAL GROUP (APIRG)**  
**OPMET MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE FIFTH MEETING (AFI OPMET MTF/5)**  
*(Nairobi, Kenya, 8-10 July 2013)*

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**Item 4: Review of regional guidance material on OPMET exchange**

**REVIEW OF THE AMBEX HANDBOOK**

*(Presented by ASECNA and ROC Toulouse)*

**Summary**

The present note proposes the compilation of additional bulletins AMBEX allowing taking into account aerodromes AOP and non AOP.

## 1 . Introduction

1.1. The meeting is reminded that one objective of the System of exchange of weather reports in Africa and Indian Ocean Region (AFI) of the ICAO (AMBEX) is to ensure the most efficient and economical exchange of Operational Meteorological messages (OPMET) for the benefit of the users within the region AFI and with the other ICAO regions.

## 2. Discussions

2.1 Appendix A of the SADIS users Guide (SUG) expresses the needs for the users regarding the OPMET data METAR and TAF. When the OPMET of the national non-AOP aerodromes is required by the users, the concerned States are consulted and requested to supply the additional information. Willing States may then make them available for exchange and the aerodromes concerned are included in the Appendix 1 of the SUG.

2.2.1.3. It appears there is a discrepancy between the content of the bulletins OPMET of the system AMBEX and the needs for the users appearing in the SADIS users Guide, while the AMBEX is required to meet users needs. The identified gap includes the following:

- Irregularities of the contents of bulletins passed transmitted by national centers of the OPMET (NOC) towards the centers of collection of bulletins ( BCC) ;
- Non compilation by the BCC, the information OPMET produced by aerodromes - AOP and non AOP, leading a low availability on the AFS, the OPMET stemming from aerodromes mainly but not only from non - AOP of the AFI region;
- Transmission of the individual bulletins of the NOC towards the RODBs, the IROG and towards the WAFCs.

2.3. To allow improving the exchange of the OPMET data within the AFI region and with the other regions, the meeting may wish to formulate the following recommendation:

**Decision MTF5/xxx: Update of bulletins TAF and METAR**

**That**

**The task force consider the distribution in the AMBEX system stemming from SUG annex1 required aerodromes data (AOP and non AOP), the meeting recommends the compilation of the TAF and METAR, SPECI following Appendix A, B, C, D, E and F.**

2.4 The implementation of this distribution will come into effect from October 1st, 2013 at 1200 UTC and an evaluation will be made by the BCCs, the AFI RODBs and ROC of Toulouse until October 31st, 2013.

**3 . Action by the meeting**

The meeting is invited to:

- To note the information in this paper and;
- Approve the recommendation above, necessary for the improvement of the AMBEX System.

Appendix A: BULLETINS OF METAR/SPECI FOR BCC OF BRAZZAVILLE

CENTRES NOC	CONTENTS OF BULLETINS OF METAR (SA,SP)							
	NOC Bulletins	NOC Aerodromes	Bulletins AMBEX	AMBEX Aerodromes (Current)	Appendix 1 SUG	Non-AOP Aerodromes	AMBEX Bulletins	
<b>BCC/FCBB</b>								Proposal
FCBB	SACG31	FCBB FCPP FCPL FCOU FCOI	<b>SAAM31</b>	FCBB FCPP FEFF FKKD FKYS	FCBB FCPP	FCPL FCOU FCOI	<b>SAAM31 FCBB</b>	<b>SAAM35 FCBB</b>
FEFF	SACE31	FEFF FEFT		FZAA FOOL	FEFF		FCBB FCPP FEFF FKKD FKYS	FCPL FCOU FCOI FEFT FKKR
FKKD	SACM31	FKKD FKKR FKKL FKKN FKYS		FOOG FNLU FPST FGSL	FKKD FKKR FKKL FKKN FKYS		FOOL FOOG FNLU FPST FGSL	FCKN FZNA FZIC FZQA FZWA
FZAA	SAZR31	FZNA FZAA FZIC FZQA FZWA			FZNA FZAA FZIC FZQA FZWA			FOON FNHU FGBT
FOOL	SAGO31	FOOL FOOG FOON			FOOL FOOG FOON			
FPST	SATP31	FPST			FPST			
FNLU	SAAN31	FNHU FNLU			FNHU FNLU			

FGSL	SAGQ31	FGSL FGBT			FGSL	FGBT		
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Appendix B: BULLETINS OF METAR/SPECI FOR BCC OF DAKAR

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<b>BCC/GOY</b>								Proposal
DIAP	SAIV31	DIAP DIBK DIYO DISP DISS DIDL DIGA	SAAO32	GOY DIAP GBYD GABS GUCY GFLL GLRB	DIAP DIYO	DIYO	SAAO32 GOY GOY DIAP GBYD GABS GUCY GFLL GLRB	SAAO35 GOY DIYO GAGO GAKD GAKL GAMB GANR GATB GOGS GOSS DISP DISS DIDL DIGA
GBYD	SAGB31	GBYD		GQPP GQNN	GBYD		GQPP GQNN	
GABS	SAMI31	GABS GAGO GAKD GAKL GAMB GANR GATB		GVAC GGOV	GABS GAGO GAKD GAKL GAMB GANR GATB		GVAC GGOV	GOSS DISP DISS DIDL DIGA
GFLL	SASL31	GFLL			GFLL			
GLRB	SALI31	GLRB			GLRB			
GOY	SASG31	GOGS GOY GOSS			GOGS GOY GOSS	GOSS		
GQNN	SAMT31	GQPP GQNN			GQPP GQNN			
GGOV	SAGW31	GGOV			GGOV			

GUCY	SAGN31	GUCY			GUCY			
GVAC	SACV31	GVAC			GVAC			

Appendix C: BULLETINS OF METAR/SPECI FOR BCC OF NIAMEY

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<b>BCC/DRRN</b>							Proposal	
DRRN	SANR31	DRZA DRRM DRRN DRRT DRZR	SAAO33	DRRN DGAA DBBB DNKN DNMM	DRZA DRRM DRRN DRRT DRZR		SAAO33 DRRN DRRN DGAA DBBB DNKN DNMM DXXX FTTJ DFFD	SAAO36 DRRN DRZA DRZR DGSI DGTK FTTA DFOO
DGAA	SAGH31	DGAA DGSI DGLE			DGAA DGSI DGLE	DGLE		
DBBB	SABJ31	DBBB			DBBB			SAAO37 DRRN
DNKN		DNA DNAK DNBE DNCA DNEN DNIB DNIL DNIM DNJO DNKA DNKN DNKT DNMM DNMA DNMN DNSU DNPO			DNA DNAK DNBE DNCA DNEN DNIB DNIL DNIM DNJO DNKA DNKN DNKT DNMM DNMA DNMN DNSU DNPO		DNA DNAK DNBE DNCA DNEN DNIB DNIL DNIM DNJO DNKA DNKT DNMA DNMN DNSU DNPO DNYO	

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<b>BCC/DRRN (suite)</b>							Proposal
DXXX		DXXX DXNG DXSK	SAAO33	DXXX FTTJ DFFD	DXXX DXNG DXSK		<b>SAAO38 DRRN</b> DXNG DXSK FTTC FTTY FTTD FTTA DFOO
FTTJ		FTTC FTTY FTTD FTTJ FTTA			FTTC FTTY FTTD FTTA		
DFFD		DFFD DFOO			DFFD DFOO		

Appendix D: BULLETINS OF METAR/SPECI FOR BCC OF ANTANANARIVO

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<b>BCC/FMMI</b>								Proposal
FMMI	SAMG31	FMMI FMNA FMCZ FMNM FMNN FMMS FMMT FMSD	SAIO31	FMMI FMNM FIMP FMCH FMEE FMMT	FMMI FMNA FMCZ FMNM FMNN FMMS FMMT FMSD		SAIO31 FMMI FMMI FMNM FIMP FMCH FMEE FMMT	SAIO35 FMMI FMNA FMCZ FMNN FMMS FMSD FIMR FMCV FMEP
FIMP	SAMA31	FIMP			FIMP FIMR			
FMCH	SAIC31	FMCH			FMCV FMCH			
FMEE	SARE31	FMEE FMEP			FMEE FMEP			

Appendix E: BULLETINS OF TAF FOR BCC OF BRAZZAVILLE

CENTRES NOC	CONTENTS OF BULLETINS OF TAF (FT)							
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<b>BCC/FCBB</b>								Proposal
FCBB	FTCG31	FCBB	<b>FTAM31</b>	FCBB FEFF FKKD FZAA FOOL FPST FGSL	FCBB		<b>FTAM31 FCBB</b> FCBB FEFF FKKD FZAA FOOL FPST FGSL	<b>FTAM35 FCBB</b> FCPL FCOU FKKR FGBT FOON
	FTCG20	FCPP FCPL FCOU			FCPP	FCPL FCOU		
FEFF	FTCE31	FEFF	<b>FTAM31</b>	FEFF FKKD FZAA FOOL FPST FGSL	FEFF		<b>FTAM39 FCBB</b> FCPP FKYS FOOG FNLU	
FKKD	FTCM31	FKKD			FKKD			
	FTCM20	FKYS FKKR			FKYS	FKKR		
FZAA	FTZR31	FZAA	<b>FTAM39</b>	FCPP FKYS FOOG FNLU	FZAA		<b>FTAM39 FCBB</b> FCPP FKYS FOOG FNLU	
FOOL	FTGO31	FOOL			FOOL	FOON		
	FTGO20	FOOG FOON			FOOG			
FPST	FTTP31	FPST			FPST			
FNLU	FTAN31	FNLU			FNLU			
FGSL	FTGQ31	FGSL			FGSL	FGBT		
	FTGQ20	FGBT						

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	FTIV20	DIYO		GBYD	GBYD		
GBYD		GBYD	<b>FTAO32</b>	GABS	GABS		<b>FTAO35 GOY</b>
GABS	FTMI31	GABS		GFLL	GFLL		
	FTMI20	GAGO	<b>FTAO32</b>	GLRB	GLRB		<b>FTAO35 GOY</b>
GFLL	FTSL31	GFLL		GOOY	GOOY		
			<b>FTAO39</b>	GQNN	GQNN		<b>FTAO35 GOY</b>
GLRB	FTLI31	GLRB	<b>FTAO39</b>	GUCY	GUCY		
GOY	FTSG31	GOY		GVAC	GVAC		<b>FTAO39 GOY</b>
	FTSG20	GOGS	<b>FTAO39</b>		GOGS	GOSS	
GQNN	FTMT31	GQNN	<b>FTAO39</b>		GOY		<b>FTAO39 GOY</b>
	FTMT20	GQPP			GOSS		
GGOV	FTGW31	GGOV	<b>FTAO39</b>		GQPP		<b>FTAO39 GOY</b>
GUCY	FTGN31	GUCY			GQNN		
GVAC	FTCV31	GVAC	<b>FTAO39</b>		GGOV		<b>FTAO39 GOY</b>
					GUCY		
					GVAC		

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	FTNR20	DRZA DRZR			DGAA DGSI DGTK		DRRN DGAA DBBB DNKN DNMM DXXX FTTJ DFFD	DRZA DRZR DGSI DGTK FTTA DFOO
DGAA	FTGH31	DGAA			DBBB			
	FTGH20	DGSI DGTK			DNKN DNMM			
DBBB	FTBJ31	DBBB			DXXX			
DNKN	FTNI31	DNKN DNMM			FTTJ			
DXXX	FTTG31	DXXX			DFFD			
FTTJ	FTCD31	FTTJ						
	FTCD20	FTTA						
DFFD	FTHV31	DFFD						
	FTHV20	DFOO						

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	FTMG20	FMNA FMCZ FMNM FMNN FMMS FMMT FMSD					<b>FTIO39</b> FMNN FMMT	
FIMP	FTMA31	FIMP	<b>FTIO39</b>	FMNN FMMT	FIMR FIMP			
FMCH	FTMA20	FIMR			FMCH			
FMEE	FTIC31	FMCH			FMEE FMEP			
	FTRE31	FMEE						
	FTRE20	FMEP						