

# INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION



## 4<sup>th</sup> NAFISAT SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

### REPORT

ENTEBBE, UGANDA  
23- 24 April 2009

The NAFISAT Supervisory Committee was set up by Article 6 of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the NAFISAT States, ATNS and IATA.

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## **PART I – HISTORY OF THE MEETING**

### **1. Introduction**

1.1 The fourth meeting of the NAFISAT Supervisory Committee meeting took place at Imperial Beach Resort Hotel in Entebbe, Uganda from 23 to 24 April 2009. The outgoing Chairperson, Mr Shadrack Wesechere, welcomed all the members of the committee to the meeting. Dr Rama W Makuza, Managing Director of Civil Aviation Authority Uganda, gave the opening address to the meeting. He welcomed all the participants and stressed the importance of the NAFISAT project in Africa and the role of Civil Aviation in the development of Africa and, in particular, Uganda.

### **2. Officers and Secretariat**

2.1 Mr Shadrack Wesechere of Kenya was re-elected as the Chairperson of the Committee. The secretariat was provided by ICAO and was assisted by Mr. Richard Ruhesi and Mr. Desiderius Okumu both of Uganda.

### **3. Attendance**

3.1 The meeting was attended by the following members of the Supervisory Committee: CACAS, Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Seychelles, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, as well as ATNS, IATA and ICAO. Apologies were received from Saudi Arabia and Yemen. The list of participants is given at **Appendix A** to this report.

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**4. Working Language**

4.1 The meeting was conducted in English language.

**5. AGENDA**

**5.1 The following Agenda was adopted:**

**Agenda Item 1** - Matters Arising from the last Meeting

**Agenda Item 2** - Implementation Status of the Network

**Agenda Item 3** - Operation of the Network

**Agenda Item 4** - Implementation of VSAT network in AFI

**Agenda Item 5** - Network Performance

**Agenda Item 6** - Aircraft Movement Statistics

**Agenda Item 7** - Financials

**Agenda Item 8** - Maintenance & Management Centre

**Agenda Item 9** - The Future Value Added Services

**Agenda Item 10** - Any Other Business

**Agenda Item 11** - Approval of the draft report of the meeting

**Agenda Item 12** - Date and Venue of the next Meeting

**Agenda Item 13** - Closure of the Meeting

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LIST OF CONCLUSIONS /DECISIONS

Number	Title	Action by	Target Date
Decision 4/1	<p><b>Operation of the Network</b></p> <p>Letter of procedure for maintenance is to be drafted and signed between states and ATNS</p> <p>States were requested to report all faults to <a href="mailto:frc@atns.co.za">frc@atns.co.za</a> and copy <a href="mailto:ruip@atns.co.za">ruip@atns.co.za</a> telephone and fax numbers are also available. The meeting requested ATNS to investigate the possibility of implementing the technical hot line on the system. The meeting requested the participation of the ATNS VSAT Manager in the future Supervisory Committee meetings. The existing standard template is to be used for the fault reporting onsite.</p>	ATNS	
Decision 4/2	<p><b>Aircraft movement statistics</b></p> <p>States are to submit the aircraft movement statistics data to ATNS by the 5th day of every month. The meeting agreed that the billing period will cover from the 26<sup>th</sup> up to the 25<sup>th</sup> of the next month. States agreed to provide the previous missing data as referred (attachment d) and IATA will assist to recover the applicable funds.</p>	NAFISAT States and IATA	
Conclusion 4/1	<p><b>Finance 2008/9</b></p> <p>The meeting requested both ATNS and IATA to review their positions on the tariff increase taking into account the above recommendations and report to the supervisory committee by 31 may 2009. The meeting approved the necessary operating expenses until 31 may 2009 to ensure the network availability. The budget will be submitted to the delegates for approval via round robin.</p>	ATNS & IATA	31 <sup>st</sup> May 2009.

## **PART II - REPORT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

### **AGENDA ITEM 1: MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING:**

1.1 The Meeting recalled that, at the last meeting of the Supervisory Committee, the secretariat was requested to forward the soft copies of the working papers to participants well before the meeting. (Reference Section 8.2 of the report of 3rd Meeting). The secretariat took note of this decision and agreed to comply.

### **AGENDA ITEM 2: IMPLEMENTATION AND STATUS**

2.1 ATNS presented the update and present status of the NAFISAT project. It was noted that due to delays in obtaining signatures for the bilateral agreements and clearing of customs duties, the installations were completed on 28 February 2008 and operation of the network commenced on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008. ATNS also informed the meeting that there is an outstanding sum of USD 29,000 for custom duties due to missing supporting documents. Additional sum of USD225, 555 and USD86, 682 were added to the total project cost due to the contract variation orders. The variation orders were due to site conditions and contractual operational requirements (**see Appendix B and C**).

NAFISAT Site VOs (Site Surveys)									
No	Site Name	Country	AFTN (cabling, modems)	VCCS (cabling)	Additional RF cabling	Non-penetrating mast	Additional civil works	Comments	
1	Djibouti	Djibouti	X	X			X	1) Additional cabinet and modems	
2	Cairo	Egypt	X				X	1) AFTN modems 2) Additional cabinet & fibre optics 3) Additional trenching	
3	Asmara	Eritrea	X	X			X	1) AFTN/VCCS to VSAT = 75m 2) AFTN modems 3) Additional cabinet & fibre optic cable	
4	Addis Ababa	Ethiopia					X	1) Trenching in tar & re-instate 2) Entry hole in wall	
6	Somalia (G'giri)	Somalia		X		X	X	1) Non-penetrating mast required 2) Entry hole in wall	
7	Tripoli	Libya	X				X	1) AFTN modems 2) Additional civils for 4.5m mast	
9	Victoria	Seychelles					X	1) Add civils for 4.5m antenna 2) Trenching in concrete + re-instate	
10	Khartoum	Sudan	X					1) AFTN modems	
11	Eritebbe	Uganda						No mayor issues reported	
12	Sana'a	Yemen	X				X	1) Entry hole in wall	
<b>Total for NAFISAT</b>									<b>\$225,555.21</b>

NAFISAT Variation Orders to Contract			
No	Description	Location	Network
1	UPS for Memotec	Djibouti	NAFISAT
	UPS for Memotec	Asmara	NAFISAT
	<b>Total</b>		
2	UPS Test Boards and training for Mopalema & ATNS	MMC	NAFISAT 50%
	<b>Total</b>		
3	Fencing around VSAT antenna	Cairo	NAFISAT
	<b>Total</b>		
4	Additional AFTN circuit	Khartoum/Tripoli	NAFISAT
	<b>Total</b>		
6	Frame Plan Generator Board (for network)	Entebbe	NAFISAT
	<b>Total</b>		
7	Upgrade of MMS software	MMC	NAFISAT 50%
	<b>Total</b>		
9	Feed horn supporting brackets (all NAFISAT sites)	NAFISAT (12)	NAFISAT
	<b>Total</b>		
	<b>Grand Total</b>		\$86 682.13

## **Interconnectivity**

2.2 Interconnectivity between AFISNET network at Chad, Niger, and Congo (Brazzaville) has been completed and are operational. Interfaces with SADC VSAT 2 network at Kinshasa, Kigali, Dar es Salaam and Mauritius have also been completed and are operational.

## **Period of Beneficial Use (PBU) and Present Status**

2.3 The meeting was informed that, the PBU for NAFISAT ended on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009 hence ATNS is responsible for all maintenance of the network from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009. ATNS explained further that, the purchasing of spare parts for the four de-centralized sites will be deferred for one year due to financial constraints.

## **Training**

2.4 The meeting was informed that two sets of technical training have been done, pre-installation and on-site. However the refresher training has been deferred for one year due to financial constraints.

## **AGENDA ITEM 3: OPERATION OF THE NETWORK**

3.1 The meeting was informed that the Fault Reporting Centre is fully operational and 24 hours service is being provided in Johannesburg. A second technician was employed in March 2009. The Centre handled 38 faults and 13 planned maintenance visits.

3.2 ATNS expressed difficulties in obtaining visa to the sites and also withholding of test equipments and spare parts by customs. States on their part complained of the technicians arriving without prior notice. It was decided that ATNS sign a letter of procedure for maintenance with all the States.

**Decision 4/1 - Letter of procedure for maintenance is to be drafted and signed between States and ATNS**

**States were requested to report all faults to [frc@atns.co.za](mailto:frc@atns.co.za) and copy [ruip@atns.co.za](mailto:ruip@atns.co.za) telephone and fax numbers are also available. The meeting requested ATNS to investigate the possibility of implementing the technical hot line on the system. The meeting requested the participation of the ATNS VSAT Manager in the future Supervisory Committee meetings. The existing standard template is to be used for the fault reporting onsite.**

## **AGENDA ITEM 4: IMPLEMENTATION OF VSAT IN AFI**

4.1 The meeting's attention was drawn to Special AFIRAN Meeting Durban, South Africa, 24-29 November 2008, Recommendation 6/19: *Planning, implementation and operation of very small aperture terminal (VSAT) networks in the AFI Region*

That all entities involved with planning, implementation and operation of very small aperture terminal (VSAT) networks in the AFI Region hold regular joint meetings under the auspices

of ICAO regional offices for the purpose of harmonization and eventual realization of a seamless AFI communication network supporting all present and future communications, navigation, and surveillance (CNS) systems.

4.2 The meeting was of the view that, Recommendation 6/19 of SAFIRAN meeting is covered by Article 6 of the NAFISAT MOU and hence no amendment is needed for the terms of reference for the Supervisory Committee. ATNS requested the authority from the committee to represent NAFISAT at VSAT coordination meetings held under the auspices of ICAO regional offices and it was denied. ATNS informed the meeting on the possible developments in the AFISNET network and the possible effect on the NAFISAT interface circuits. ICAO assured the meeting that coordination between the networks will take place at the planning level.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5: NETWORK PERFORMANCE**

5.1 The meeting was informed of the operational statistics from July 2008 to April 2009 as follows:

Recorded Calls (ATS/DS) - 190,150  
Data Bytes transmitted - 3,312,236,411

**Availability:-**

ATS/DS - 99.71%  
AFTN - 99.33%  
Network - 99.74%

5.2 The meeting took note that the operational availability is better than the figures in the business case presented before the project. See the Call and Data records below.

## NAFISAT NETWORK

ATS/DS Call & Data Records									
NAFISAT Network									
Description	May-08	Jun-08	Jul-08	Aug-08	Sep-08	Oct-08	Nov-08	Dec-08	Total/Ave
Summary of ATS/DS calls records									
Total call attempts	17,711	19,312	23,834	25,584	23,753	26,029	24,415	29,512	190,150
Call duration (minute)	21,871	37,385	45,863	35,800	59,640	31,356	27,888	35,069	
Successful call attempts	17,700	19,306	23,816	25,581	23,746	26,003	24,408	29,494	190,054
Successful call attempts %	99.94	99.97	99.92	99.99	99.97	99.90	99.58	99.67	99.87
Unsuccessful call attempts	11	6	18	3	7	26	7	18	96
Network data transmission									
Total Bytes Transmitted	475,364,025	203,889,651	1,029,445,288	632,942,333	189,913,006	310,398,892	224,495,572	245,787,644	3,312,236,411
Successful Transmitted	470990676	201341030	1001135543	628068677	182677320	303073478	223350645	243649291	3254286661
% Successful Transmitted	99.08	98.75	97.25	99.23	96.19	97.64	99.49	99.13	98.35

### **AFTN Circuits Performance**

5.3 ICAO reminded the meeting of Recommendation 9/4 of AFI/7 RAN meeting (Abuja, Nigeria, 12-23 May 1997), regarding the need to send the monthly availability statistics of the AFTN to the Regional Offices of ICAO.

#### **Recommendation 9/4: AFTN Circuits Performance**

**That States operating AFTN circuits arrange for the monthly recording of circuits performance charts and for the exchange of completed forms between the stations concerned with copy to the relevant ICAO Regional Office.**

### **AGENDA ITEM 6: AIRCRAFT MOVEMENT STATISTICS**

6.1 The meeting was informed that submission of Aircraft movement statistics from States are inconsistent and not on time. The non- submission of the data had an adverse effect on the revenue for NAFISAT network operations and is a major factor when deciding in the increase in the tariffs.

#### **Decision 4/2- Aircraft Movement Statistics**

**States are to submit the aircraft movement statistics data to ATNS by the 5th day of every month. The meeting agreed that the billing period will cover from the 26<sup>th</sup> up to the 25<sup>th</sup> of the next month. States agreed to provide the previous missing data as referred at attachment D and IATA will assist to recover the applicable funds.**

APPENDIX D

NAFISAT SVC/ WP18

Agenda Item 10.1: Status on Statistics Submission

COUNTRY	TANZANIA	UGANDA	SOMALIA	ETHIOPIA	SUDAN	DJIBOUTI	ERITREA	LIBYA	YEMEN	SEYCHELLES
Apr-08			5-May-08	5-Jun-08	5-Feb-09	5-Jun-08		5-Jun-08		5-Jun-08
May-08	5-Jun-08		5-Jun-08	5-Jun-08	5-Feb-09	5-Jun-08	5-Jun-08	5-Jun-08		5-Jun-08
Jun-08		6-Jul-08	6-Jul-08		5-Feb-09		6-Jul-08	6-Jul-08		5-Jan-08
Jul-08					5-Feb-09					6-Jul-08
Aug-08			5-Feb-09		5-Feb-09			5-Nov-08		5-Oct-08
Sep-08			5-Nov-08	5-Feb-09	5-Feb-09	5-Nov-08	5-Nov-08	5-Nov-08		5-Nov-08
Oct-08			5-Dec-08	5-Feb-09	5-Feb-09		5-Dec-08	5-Dec-08		5-Dec-08
Nov-08			5-Dec-08	5-Feb-09	5-Feb-09	5-Mar-09	5-Jan-09	5-Dec-08		5-Jan-09
Dec-08			5-Dec-08	5-Feb-09	5-Feb-09	5-Mar-09	5-Jan-09	5-Feb-09		5-Jan-09
Jan-09			5-Feb-09	5-Apr-09	5-Mar-09	5-Apr-09	5-Apr-09			5-Feb-09
Feb-09			5-Mar-09				5-Apr-09	5-Apr-09		5-Mar-09
Mar-09			5-Apr-09							5-Apr-09

ACTUAL MONTH OF BILLING

	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Jul-08	Aug-08	Sep-08	Oct-08	Nov-08	Dec-09	Jan-09
% Submitted	60	80	50	30	40	80	70	80	80	70
% Not-submitt	40	20	50	70	60	20	30	20	20	30

	Feb-09	Mar-09
% Submitted	20	
% Not-submitt	80	

**AGENDA ITEM 7: FINANCE 2008/9**

7.1 ATNS presented the Income and Expenditure statements and Balance Sheet for the 2008/9 Financial Year. See Appendix E below.

**APPENDIX E**

**ATNS  
NAFISAT  
ASSUMPTIONS**

	2009	2010	2010
	Year1	Year 2	Year 2
	Forecast	Budget	Original Business Case
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Loan Rate (interest capitalised)	11.80%	10.46%	7.87%
Period of the Loan (in years)	6	6	6
Repayments per year	4	4	2
Currency	USD	USD	USD
Period of the network	7	7	6
RoX (\$/R)	9.11	10.00	7.00
RoX (\$/R) Capex Equipment	9.11	10.00	7.00
CPI	11.08%	6.05%	5.00%
Traffic Growth	N/A	0%	5%
Debtors Days	60	60	
Creditors Days	30	30	
Centralised and Decentralised			
CAPEX	\$3,209,827		\$2,581,374
Maintenance and Support	\$301,863		\$301,863
Equipment Commission Date	4/1/2008		8/1/2007
Additional Capex			
CAPEX	\$229,865		
Total number of States	10		
States for Centralised	6		
States for Decentralised	4		

**ATNS  
NAFISAT  
INCOME STATEMENT**

	Coments	2009	2010	2010
		Year1	Year 2	Year 2
		Forecast	Budget	Original Business Case
No. of flights		104,705	104,705	124,570
No. of FIR Crossings		185,458	185,458	249,140
Traffic growth		N/A	0%	5%
Tariff / FIR Crossing - AVERAGE		\$10.00	\$11.00	\$11.28
Tariff / Flight - AVERAGE		\$17.71	\$19.34	\$22.55
<b>NAFISAT Revenue</b>		<b>\$1,854,580</b>	<b>\$2,024,583</b>	<b>\$2,809,051</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>		<b>\$916,688</b>	<b>\$1,262,409</b>	<b>\$1,892,872</b>
INTELSAT - Satellite Spectrum	fixed cost-reduced by kenya and jeddah-paying less	\$135,755	\$97,995	\$115,350
INEO / ATNS Maintenance & Support	inflation inc	\$69,641	\$273,679	\$316,956
Recovery of 2/13 of Expenses - Sundry Income	inflation inc	-\$176,478	-\$169,252	
Commission to IATA	2%	\$31,292	\$40,492	\$56,181
Bad Debt	5%	\$38,758	\$101,229	\$140,453
ATNS Management Fee	10%	\$181,050	\$202,458	\$280,905
IATA Management Fee	fixed cost	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$50,000
Training	inflation inc	\$21,967	\$0	\$0
Training Accommodation	inflation inc	\$0	\$0	\$0
Training Travel Expenses	inflation inc	\$11,703	\$0	\$0
ATNS : Direct Costs-Salaries and Related Costs	inflation inc	\$29,795	\$127,304	\$123,000
ATNS : Indirect Costs	inflation inc	\$482,623	\$466,270	\$681,191
ATNS : Pre implementation Costs	fixed cost	\$88,773	\$80,872	\$89,742
NAFISAT VSAT Supervisory Board	inflation inc	\$0	\$37,232	\$39,094
Exchange Rate Adjustment		-\$48,191	-\$35,870	-
<b>EBITDA</b>		<b>\$937,892</b>	<b>\$762,174</b>	<b>\$916,179</b>
Depreciation		\$458,547	\$496,858	\$505,863
<b>EBIT</b>		<b>\$479,345</b>	<b>\$265,316</b>	<b>\$410,316</b>
Interest Paid		\$254,956	\$190,799	\$168,148
<b>NET PROFIT BEFORE TAX</b>		<b>\$224,389</b>	<b>\$74,517</b>	<b>\$242,168</b>
Taxation		\$74,489	\$20,865	\$70,229
<b>NET PROFIT AFTER TAX</b>		<b>\$149,900</b>	<b>\$53,652</b>	<b>\$171,939</b>
Opening Retained Income		\$0	\$149,900	\$1,707
<b>Retained Income at Year End</b>		<b>\$149,900</b>	<b>\$203,552</b>	<b>\$173,646</b>

**ATNS  
NAFISAT  
BALANCE SHEET**

	2009	2010	2010
	Year1	Year 2	Year 2
	Forecast	Budget	Original Business Case
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b><u>Non Current Assets</u></b>	<b>\$2,751,280</b>	<b>\$2,484,288</b>	<b>\$2,023,452</b>
Equipment	\$3,209,827	\$3,439,692	\$2,959,544
Accumulated Depreciation	\$458,547	\$955,404	\$936,092
<b><u>Current Assets</u></b>	<b>\$1,296,746</b>	<b>\$332,808</b>	<b>\$28</b>
Cash and Bank	\$800,537		\$28
Trade and Other Receivables	\$496,209	\$332,808	\$0
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$4,048,026</b>	<b>\$2,817,096</b>	<b>\$2,023,480</b>
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>			
<b><u>Capital and Reserves</u></b>			
Accumulated Profits	\$149,900	\$203,552	\$173,648
<b><u>Non Current Liabilities</u></b>			
Long Term Borrowings	\$2,047,874	\$1,705,353	\$1,849,832
<b><u>Current Liabilities</u></b>	<b>\$1,850,252</b>	<b>\$908,191</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Trade and Other Payables	\$893,708	\$40,226	\$0
Bank Overdraft		\$867,965	
ATNS Account	\$956,544		
<b>TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$4,048,026</b>	<b>\$2,817,096</b>	<b>\$2,023,480</b>
<b>Net Current Liability Appendix D</b>	<b>\$553,506</b>	<b>\$575,383</b>	<b>-\$28</b>

Kindly note the bank overdraft has been re-classified as current liability

**ATNS  
NAFISAT  
BALANCE SHEET**

	2009	2010	2010
	Year1	Year 2	Year 2
	Forecast	Budget	Original Business Case
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<b>CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATIONS</b>	<b>\$479,345</b>	<b>\$265,316</b>	<b>\$410,316</b>
Add: Non-Cash items (Depreciation)	\$458,547	\$496,858	\$505,863
Changes in working capital:			
Trade and other Receivables	-\$496,209	\$163,401	\$0
Trade and other Payables	\$893,708	-\$853,483	\$0
Intercompany ATNS Account	\$956,543	-\$956,544	
Interest paid	-\$254,956	-\$190,799	-\$168,148
Taxation paid	-\$74,489	-\$20,865	-\$70,229
	<b>\$1,962,489</b>	<b>-\$1,096,116</b>	<b>\$677,802</b>
<b>CASH APPLIED TO INVESTING OPERATIONS</b>			
- Centralised Option	-\$3,209,827	-\$229,865	-\$378,170
<b>CASH GENERATED FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Long Term Loan raised	\$2,436,883		
Long Term Loan repaid Capital portion	-\$389,008	-\$342,521	-\$379,880
<b>NET CASH INFLOW / (OUTFLOW)</b>	<b>\$800,537</b>	<b>-\$1,668,502</b>	<b>-\$80,248</b>
CASH BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$0	\$800,537	\$80,276
<b>CASH BALANCE AT YEAR END</b>	<b>\$800,537</b>	<b>-\$867,965</b>	<b>\$28</b>

7.2 ATNS proposed a tariffs increase of US\$1 per FIR crossing that would increase the tariff from US\$10 to US\$ 11 in order to sustain the network. This was due to the following factors:

- Decline of traffic movements
- Non submission of the traffic movement data by the states
- Overdraft
- Inflation
- Depreciation

The proposed increase is below the business case increase of US\$ 1.28 for 2009/10

7.2 IATA and ATNS as the network providers (MOU Article 5) did not agree on the proposed US\$1 tariff increase by ATNS. The meeting appointed a subcommittee composed of ICAO, IATA, ATNS, Egypt and Kenya (Chairman) to further discuss the issue and report back to the meeting. The subcommittee recommended that:

1. ATNS should consider the possibility of reducing the operational cost further.
2. States should provide complete air traffic movement data on time.
3. NAFISAT should consider requesting the South African Revenue Services a tax concession with the assistance of ICAO and IATA.

4. ATNS and IATA should reconsider their positions with respect to the proposed tariff increase.

**Conclusion 4/1 - Finance 2008/9**

**The meeting requested both ATNS and IATA to review their positions on the tariff increase taking into account the above recommendations and report to the supervisory committee by 31 May 2009. The meeting approved the necessary operating expenses until 31 May 2009 to ensure the network availability. The budget will be submitted to the delegates for approval via Round Robin.**

**AGENDA ITEM 8: MONITORING AND MAINTENANCE CENTRE (MMC)**

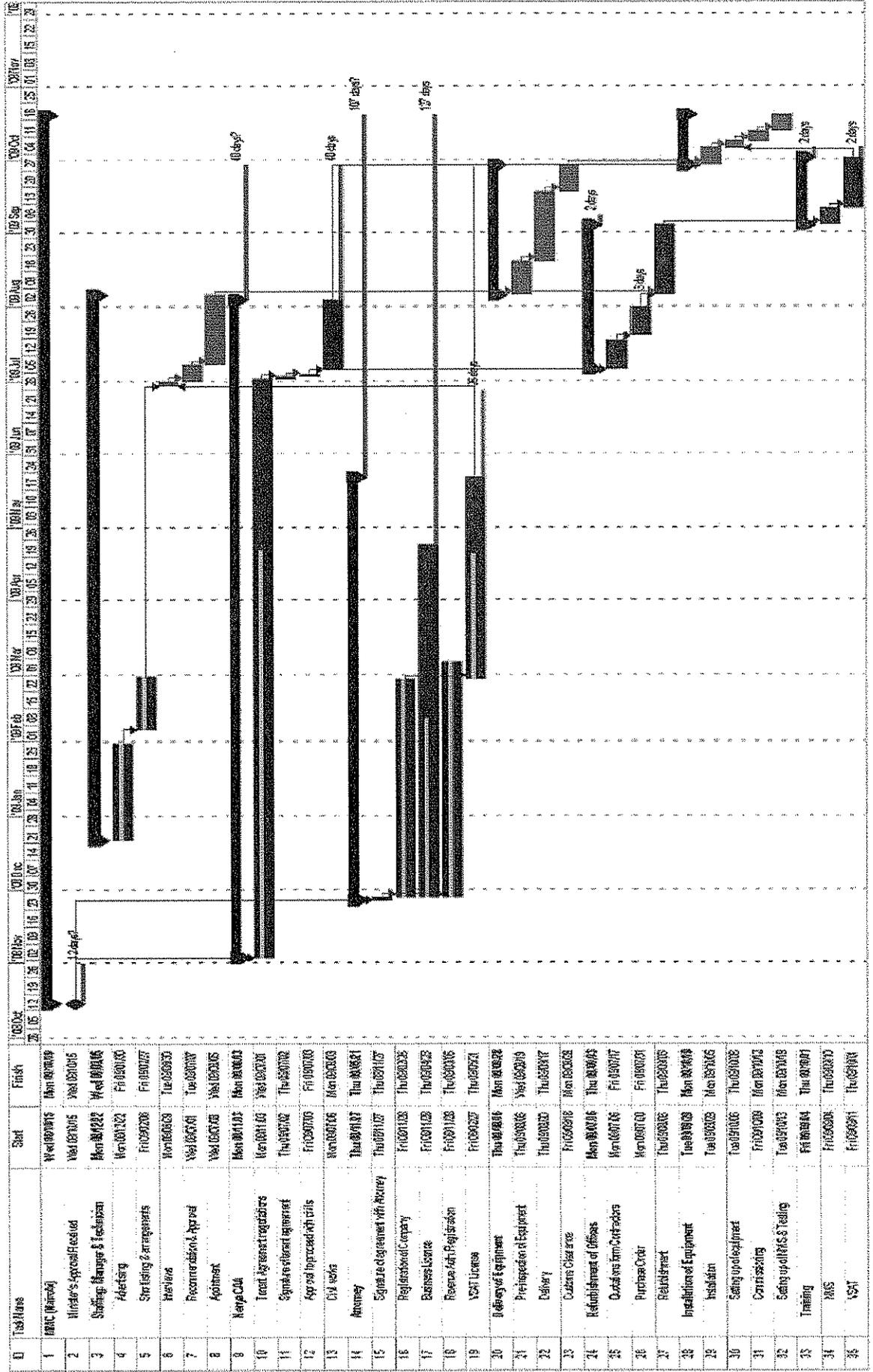
- 8.1 ATNS informed the meeting that upon evaluation of 5 potential sites; Nairobi, Kenya was selected as the preferred location for the MMC.

**AGENDA ITEM 9: NAFISAT MMC IMPLEMENTATION**

- 9.1 ATNS presented the implementation schedule for the MMC. The planned implementation will be completed in October 2009. See **Appendix F** Attached. It was proposed that the network provider consider subcontracting KCAA or any other suitable service providers in Kenya to manage the maintenance centre in order to reduce maintenance costs.

APPENDIX F

Implementation Schedule for the MCC



**AGENDA ITEM 10: FUTURE VALUE ADDED SERVICES**

10.1 ATNS informed the meeting that additional spectrum is available on transponder 23-23 for possible value added services.

**AGENDA ITEM 11: ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

11.1 In future, matters arising from the previous meeting will form part of the agenda.

11.2 ATNS informed the meeting that due to issues raised on Agenda item 7, ATNS will consider reviewing the current partnership with IATA with respect to the NAFISAT project.

11.3 The Supervisory committee informed the ATNS that the agreement between IATA and ATNS is not the subject of discussion by this meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM 12: APPROVAL OF RECORD OF MEETING**

12.1 Uganda proposed that the minutes are a correct reflection of the proceedings of the meeting. Ethiopia seconded the proposal

**AGENDA ITEM 13: DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

13.1 The meeting agreed that the next Supervisory Committee meeting will be held in the first week of April 2010. Sudan offered to host the meeting.

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