

## INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICAN OFFICE

# AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT COORDINATION MEETING FOR SOUTHERN AFI FLIGHT INFORMATION REGIONS (ATM/CM-SAF) (JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA, 3-5 FEBRUARY 2015)

### **Agenda Item 3:** Reduction in Coordination for Large Height Deviations in the SAF Region

(Presented by ARMA)

#### Summary

This Working Paper Discusses the additional co-ordination between ARMA and States relating to the occurrence of Large Height Deviations when the correct information is not submitted.

Ref: AFI RVSM Safety Assessment Returns Action is at paragraph 3.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Although this paper is not directly focussed on ATM Coordination the information documented after the occurrence of a Large Height Deviation, if not complete, leads to additional coordination between the ARMA and associated State/Operator in order to obtain the required information.
- 1.2 The information documented has a direct effect on whether or not the Large Height Deviation can be calculated and utilized in the Collision Risk Assessment.
- 1.3 It is a reality that the longer it takes to obtain the information the more likely it is that the occurrence will become faded in memory over time.

#### 2. DISCUSSION

- 2.1 This paper is accompanied by an attachment A with the blank form that should be completed after a Large Height Deviation event as agreed upon during ICAO APIRG structure meetings. The attachment will be displayed as a power point slide during the short presentation for ease of reference.
- 2.2 In the event that the Large Height Deviation particulars are not captured on the form these particulars should at least be contained in another format which the ARMA will then transfer into the correct format without further co-ordination between the originator and ARMA.

- 2.3 States/ACC's that are having difficulties in meeting the requirement should not hesitate to inform the ARMA of the problem and discuss possible ways of solving.
- 2.4 A complete return on Form 1, the Large Height Deviation form or equivalent, is thus a time saving contribution reducing co-ordination between the originator and ARMA.

#### 3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to:
- 3.1.1 note and review the contents of this working paper;
- 3.1.2 continue meeting their responsibilities by submitting Large Height Deviations to ARMA with the correct and complete information
- 3.1.3 where States are struggling to meet this requirement discuss the situation with ARMA towards a solution

**END**