

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICAN (ESAF) OFFICE

1. Decision 19/48: Re-organization of APIRG

That:

- a) The APIRG review its working methods and organization using project management principles and other methodologies as and when necessary, and consider making adjustments to better support the ICAO performance framework in its planning and implementation activities aligned with the Aviation System Block Upgrades (ASBUs); and
- b) The Secretariat:
 - i). develop a revised structure of the APIRG taking due account of best practices/benchmarking, established regional targets and priorities, and the need for synergies between similar or complementary activities; and
 - ii). Accordingly call for an APIRG extraordinary meeting on this issue in 2014.

2. Recommendation 6/1: Regional performance framework-planning methodologies and tools

That States and PIRGs:

- a) finalize the alignment of regional air navigation plans with the Fourth Edition of the Global Air Navigation Plan (Doc 9750, GANP) by May 2014;
- b) focus on implementing aviation system block upgrade Block 0 Modules according to their operational needs, recognizing that these modules are ready for deployment;
- c) use the electronic regional air navigation plans as the primary tool to assist in the implementation of the agreed regional planning framework for air navigation services and facilities;
- d) involve regulatory and industry personnel during all stages of planning and implementation of aviation system block upgrade modules;
- e) develop action plans to address the identified impediments to air traffic management modernization as part of aviation system block upgrade planning and implementation activities;

That ICAO:

- f) consider how the continuous monitoring approach to safety oversight maps to the evaluation of Member States' safety oversight capabilities concerning aviation system block upgrades;
- g) review the current amendment process to the Regional Air Navigation Plans (ANPs) and recommend improvements to increase efficiencies related to the approval and maintenance of the data in the regional ANPs;
- h) develop guidance material, on the basis of best practices employed worldwide, for the

regional/local deployment of new air traffic management technologies, required procedures, operational approvals and continue to support States in the implementation of the aviation system block upgrades;

- i) identify the issues, funding, training and resource requirements necessary to support a safety framework that would lay the foundation for successful implementation of the aviation system block upgrades;
- j) develop, together with industry and stakeholders, an engagement strategy to address the economic and institutional impediments to implementation of the aviation system block upgrades;
- k) develop a mechanism for sharing of best practices for the aviation system block upgrade implementation; and
- l) define a methodology to ensure interregional and global harmonization of air navigation services through ANRF reporting in an effective and timely manner, and consider the employment of interregional and multi-regional fora.

3. Decision EO/01: Reorganization of APIRG

That:

- a) the new organizational structure of APIRG comprising:
 - 1) one Projects Coordination Committee (APCC)
 - 2) one Airspace and Aerodrome Operations Sub-Group (AAO/SG),
 - 3) one Infrastructure and Information Management Sub-Group (IIM/SG), and
 - 4 one Traffic Forecasting Group (TFG),

as described in Appendices B, C, D, E, and F to this report, is adopted and will become effective following the next APIRG meeting;

- b) the preliminary terms of reference of the APCC provided at Appendix D to this report are to be reviewed and finalized at the next APIRG meeting; and
- c) projects be identified from ASBU modules and regional performance objectives adopted by APIRG, to be carried out by teams of experts provided by States and concerned international organizations.

4. Decision EO/02: Revision of the APIRG Procedural Handbook

That:

- a) the Secretariat should undertake revision of the APIRG Procedural Handbook to reflect the reorganization of APIRG and working methods as adopted by the APIRG-EO meeting, as well as other relevant changes in ICAO; and
- b) the revised Procedural Handbook should be circulated to APIRG Members for review and comments before the next APIRG meeting, or when the new organization and working methods become effective, whichever comes first.

5. Decision EO/03: Transition to New APIRG Organization

That the Secretariat and APIRG contributory bodies:

- a) continue to implement the work programmes as previously endorsed by the Group; and
- b) carry out necessary action to facilitate the operationalization of the new organizational structure and working methods of the APIRG, including reformulation of existing activities that continue to have relevance, into the projects management formats, to be presented for endorsement by the next meeting of the Group.

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