### ICAO Inter-regional SAR Workshop 2016

Civil-Military Cooperation and Coordination

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#### AF 447 in 2009...Malaysia MH 370 in 2014

- Such an incident, including maritime, has happened or will happen to all States with maritime SAR regions
- > Need to plan ahead and learn from previous incidents
- > Some common aspects:
  - Media interest
  - Foreign governments interest and involvement
  - Next of kin of the victims (save lives, recover victims)
  - Quick reaction who to call, effective response
  - Cooperation neighboring States, civil-military
  - Maritime drift objects drift differently

## How is the cooperation and coordination between your:

Aeronautical and Maritime SAR agencies?
(or Land or Local authorities)

#### Civil and Military authorities?

- Most States rely upon the military to do SAR
- Who has the search planning experts
- Who has the rescue resources
- Lessons learned from Air France 447, Malaysia Flight 370, and other incidents around the world

### If you rely on your military to do SAR...

- How does it fit into the civil SAR system?
- How good is its cooperation and coordination within your government?
- Does it have trust and cooperation with neighboring States?
- How responsive are the arrangements for the military to share your national airspace?

# Government Processes for an Effective SAR System

- Our countries are part of the Global SAR System
- ICAO and IMO Guidance/Conventions
  - International Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue Manual (IAMSAR Manual)
- National SAR Coordinating Committee
- SAR Agreements

## International Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue (IAMSAR) Manual

IAMSAR Manual Volume I Section 6.4.3 and Appendix J "SAR Coordinating Committee"

(2016 edition has a template with details)



### National SAR Committee A Strategic Level Whole-of-Government Approach

- -Member Agencies could include:
  - Defense,
  - Transportation (Aeronautical, maritime),
  - Interior, Communications, National Police,
  - Health, Emergency Management, etc.

Who chairs the Committee? Your choice (But equal vote.)

-Focused on policy matters, while ongoing operational matters could be handled under a different interagency forum.

### **SAR Agreement**

- 2016 edition of the IAMSAR Manual, Volume I.
  - Appendix I
  - > To avoid confusion, read the "Notes' on the first page of Appendix I.
  - > Agreements can provide operational procedures eliminate confusion and mistrust
  - > Confidence building measures such as joint visits and exercises

#### **National Airspace**

- Who manages your national airspace civil aviation authority or military?
- National airspace is a national resource:
  - Accommodate military, security, etc.
  - Confine hazardous activity (segregate) from other airspace users
  - Commercial and public use
- International airspace (beyond territorial sea)

#### **ICAO** actions

- ICAO Air Traffic Management Operations Panel
- ICAO Circular 330-AN/189
  - Flexible Use of Airspace (FUA)
- Campaign on Civil/Military Coordination
  - Workshops/seminars within ICAO regions
  - Focus on airspace management and organization
  - Could expand to include SAR under FUA

# A National SAR Committee and SAR Agreements enable you to maintain a balanced perspective that includes SAR.

