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SAR Letters of Agreement and Search and Rescue Exercises

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Outline

- The need for SAR Letters of Agreement
- Contents of SAR Agreement
- SAR Exercises
- Benefits of SAR Exercises





SAR Agreement (LoA)

- Contracting States should enter into agreements with neighbouring States to strengthen search and rescue cooperation and coordination, setting forth the conditions for entry of each other's SAR units into their respective territories. These agreements should also provide for expediting entry of such units with the least possible formalities (*Rec 3.1.5 of Annex 12*)



Contents of a SAR Agreement

- States or organization concerned
- Effective date of the agreement
- Contact details
- Media through which contact for assistance will be executed
- Procedures/conditions for entry of each other's SAR units into their respective territories.



Contents of a SAR Agreement

- Facilitation of personnel
- Who is going to provide what (fuel, accommodation, repatriation, etc.)
- Removal of supplies or temporary structures
- Cost recovery mechanisms
- Insurance in case of damages incurred
- Accountability (signature)



Benefits of SAR Exercises

- Open discussion



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