

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION**Fourth Meeting of the APIRG Airspace and Aerodrome Operations Sub-Group
(AAO/SG4), Virtual Meeting, 16 to 18 August 2021****Agenda Item 3: Certification of international aerodromes****TITLE OF PAPER: UPDATE ON THE AERODROME CERTIFICATION PROJECT**

(Presented by Project Team)

SUMMARY

The aerodrome Certification Project team hereby presents an update on the status of the review and update of the Aerodrome Certification Project.

REFERENCE(S):

APIRG/22 and RASG-AFI/5 Final Report
AAO-SG3 Report

Related ICAO Strategic Objective(s): A-Safety B- Air Navigation and Capacity Building

INTRODUCTION

1.1 The APIRG 23 meeting held virtually from 23 November - 2 December 2020) adopted APIRG/23 Conclusion 23/10: Implementation of Aerodrome Operations Projects and ASBU Modules

That, in order to improve the Projects implementation efficiency and avoid duplication of efforts, and based on linkages between Projects, Projects 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 be merged with the aerodrome certification Project as per Appendices 2F and 2G to the report.

1.2 APIRG/23 Decision 23/11: Implementation of Aerodrome Operations Projects and ASBU Modules That, in order to foster the implementation of the Projects:

- a) the Project Teams composition be revised;*
- b) Project Teams be tasked to coordinate the development/or revision of project documents and implementation strategies in collaboration with the Secretariat before the end of 2020;*
- c) the Project Teams report quarterly on the progress made in the implementation of the projects to the AAO-SG; and*
- d) the Secretariat circulate a follow-up State Letter to concerned States and organizations, requesting the formal nomination of Project Teams members and reminding them to provide adequate support to the Project Teams activities.*

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The revised project team members as nominated by States were from the following States and Organizations: Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Gabon, Kenya, Namibia, Senegal, South Africa, Togo, URSAC - UEMOA and Zambia.

2.2 A revised project document was shared with both ESAF and WACAF Regional Offices on 5th March 2021, and feedback was provided to the Project Team on the 9th April 2021. There has been slow progress on finalizing the project document, this is mainly due to COVID-19 and the unavailability of the Project Team members to finalize the document.

2.3 The project document finalization will need to incorporate the observations made by the Regional offices including roles and responsibilities of each project team member & the secretariate, deliverables and milestones. To achieve this, it is necessary that Project team members, States and Organizations participating in the project reaffirm their availability to the project for purpose of accountability

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) Note the update on the status of the aerodrome certification project.
 - b) Urge States, Organizations and Individuals members of the Project team to reaffirm their availability to the project to ensure the project document development is completed.
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