



INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

**Sixth Meeting of the APIRG Infrastructure and Information Management Sub-Group
(IIM/SG6)***(Nairobi, 31 July - 3 August 2023)***Agenda Item 3: Achievements in AIM, CNS and MET****WP 4.1A – Management of Air navigation deficiencies***(Presented by the Secretariat)*

SUMMARY
<p>This working paper provides updates on the progress made in the operationalization of the Air navigation deficiencies management tool (AANDD). The paper then proposes a way forward for the effective management of air navigation deficiencies in the region.</p> <p>Action by the meeting in paragraph 3</p>
<p>REFERENCE(S):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Report of the 25th meeting of APIRG▪ Report of the 5th meeting of APIRG IIM Subgroup
<p>This working document relates to ICAO Strategic Objectives:</p> <p>B – Capacity and Efficiency</p>

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The 5th meeting of the IIM/SG held virtually from 26 to 29 July 2022, was updated on the activities conducted towards the operationalization of the AFI air navigation deficiencies database (AANDD), including a workshop for focal points that was held in November 2021, with attendance from 15 ESAF States (62.5%), 9 WACAF States (37.5%). The meeting was also informed of the progress in the deployment of the operational version of the platform.
- 1.2 The meeting requested ICAO to expedite the deployment of the tool and urged States and Organizations that were yet to nominate AANDD Focal points to do so. It then encouraged all States and stakeholders involved in APIRG framework to engage in the Air navigation deficiencies management activities.

2. DISCUSSIONS

- 2.1 The 25th meeting of APIRG held from 7 to 11 November 2022 in Kigali, Rwanda, took note of the progress made towards an effective management of air navigation deficiencies in the region. The meeting was informed that the final operational version of the AANDD was uploaded at <https://aandd.icao.int>. It approved the way forward, through the conclusion *APIRG/25Conclusion 25/30: Identification, notification, and resolution of Regional Air Navigation Deficiencies* – requesting States yet to nominate focal points to do so, the Secretariat to support training workshops when required, and States/Organizations to identify and notify air navigation deficiencies as appropriate.
- 2.2 The Secretariat organized a webinar on the management of air navigation deficiencies from 14 to 16 March 2023. The webinar was attended by two hundred forty-three (243) participants representing 36 States and Organizations (ROBERTS FIR, AFCAC, RSOOs, ANSPs, and Airlines). It provided participants with knowledge on the process of air navigation deficiency management and familiarized them with the use of the AANDD platform for the identification, notification, assessment, and resolution of air navigation deficiencies.
- 2.3 The webinar recommended States/Organizations to organize sensitization seminars for their technical personnel and industry on the use of the AANDD tool, with the continuous support of the ICAO ESAF and WACAF Regional offices.
- 2.4 The Secretariat organized a virtual meeting with AANDD focal points, on 17th May 2023, to launch officially the operational use of the AANDD to manage air navigation deficiencies. The meeting provided participants with a refreshment on Signing up for User accounts on the AANDD, as well as on the on the deficiency management process.
- 2.5 The meeting may recall the *APIRG/25Conclusion 25/30* relating to the identification, notification, and resolution of Regional Air Navigation Deficiencies. Considering all the activities conducted so far for the deployment of the final version of the AANDD tool and the training of focal points, the meeting may note that the tool is now fully operational and urge States and Organizations to embark in the effective management of air navigation deficiencies through the online platform.

3. ACTIONS BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to:
 - a) take note of information provided in this paper
 - b) urge States and Organizations to embark in the effective management of air navigation deficiencies through the online platform.

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