

**INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION**
**Seventh Meeting of the APIRG Airspace and Aerodrome Operations Sub-Group  
(AAO/SG7)**
**Nairobi, Kenya, 12 - 16 August 2024**
**Agenda Item 5: Air Navigation Deficiencies**
**5.1. UPDATE ON THE IDENTIFICATION, NOTIFICATION AND RESOLUTION OF  
AIR NAVIGATION DEFICIENCIES**
*(Presented by Secretariat)*

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
This working paper presents an update on the identification, notification and resolution of the air navigation deficiencies related to the areas of AOP, ATM and SAR in ESAF and WACAF region.	
<b>Action by the meeting is in paragraph 3.</b>	
<b>REFERENCE(S):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- APIRG/24 report</li> <li>- APIRG/25 report</li> <li>- APIRG/26 report</li> <li>- AFI Air Navigation Deficiencies Database</li> </ul>	
<b>Related ICAO Strategic Objective(s):</b> A – Safety, B – Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency	

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 The APIRG procedural handbook requires APIRG as part of its mandate to identify, record and address air navigation deficiencies in the AFI region. To fulfil this mandate and support the implementation of the uniform methodology of identifying, reporting, and assessing regional air navigation deficiencies, the 21<sup>st</sup> APIRG meeting held from 9 to 11 October 2017 in Nairobi, Kenya adopted the AFI Air Navigation Deficiencies Database (AANDD).

1.2 APIRG Conclusion 21/23 requested States and relevant Organizations to nominate focal points and make use of the AANDD to report air navigation deficiencies identified within the ESAF and WACAF region.

1.3 APIRG also adopted a list of minimum reporting areas to report air navigation deficiencies. APIRG Decision 24/39 endorsed the current version of the list of minimum reporting areas in AOP, ATM, and SAR. The list is presented as **Appendix 1** to this paper.

**2. DISCUSSION**

2.1 Following its adoption during the 21<sup>st</sup> meeting of APIRG in 2017, a trial version of the AANDD was released in 2021 and the ICAO regional offices organized several activities for States and Organizations to familiarize them with the tool. The final version of the AANDD was released in 2022

and is available at <https://aandd.icao.int>.

2.2 APIRG Conclusion 25/30 urged States and Organizations that had not yet appointed qualified focal points and SMEs, to do so to allow the effective coordination of the air navigation deficiencies management activities. The list of focal points appointed by States to coordinate AANDD activities is provided in **Appendix 2** of this working paper.

2.3 A webinar on the management of air navigation deficiencies was organized from 14 to 16 March 2023 by the ICAO Regional Offices. Two other webinars were conducted in the WACAF region in April 2024. The purpose of the webinars was to familiarize States and Organizations with the management process of air navigation deficiencies.

2.4 So far, few deficiencies have been recorded in the AFI Air Navigation Database in the areas of AOP, ATM and SAR. States and Organizations are encouraged to identify and notify air navigation deficiencies to enable their effective resolution.

### **3. ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) note the information provided in this working paper;
- b) Review and update the list of minimum reporting areas as appropriate;
- c) Encourage States and Organizations to report air navigation deficiencies through the AANDD tool; and
- d) Urge States that have not done so yet, to forward by 30 September 2024 details of their AANDD focal points .

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