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MID OPMET Bulletin Management Group

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Agenda Item 2: Follow-up on previous Conclusions and Decisions relevant to MET

REVIEW OF MIDANPIRG/15 FOLLOW UP ACTION PLAN

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents the status of MIDANPIRG/15 Conclusions and Decisions related to MET and the follow-up actions taken.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

REFERENCES

- MIDANPIRG/15
- MET SG/6
- MID MSG/5
- MID ANSIG/2

(HTTP://WWW.ICAO.INT/MID/PAGES/MEETINGS.ASPX)

1. Introduction

1.1 The MIDANPIRG/15 meeting was held in Bahrain, from 8 to 11 June 2015. The meeting developed 29 Conclusions and 6 Decisions. Those related to MET will be reviewed by the meeting.

2. DISCUSSION

MIDANPIRG/15 meeting developed a follow-up action plan in which required follow-up actions(s), the responsible(s), the deliverable(s) and target dates are defined. In addition, draft Conclusions and Decisions as well as Conclusions formulated by one of the following meetings are provided at **Appendix A**, Sixth Meeting of the Meteorology Sub-Group (MET SG/6, 1-3 March 2016, Cairo, Egypt), Fifth Meeting of the MIDANPIRG Steering Group (MSG/5, 18-20 April 2016, Cairo, Egypt), and the Second Meeting of the Air Navigation Systems Implementation Group (ANSIG/2, 6-8 December 2016, Cairo, Egypt).

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to note the follow-up action on the MIDANPIRG/15 Conclusions and Decisions related to MET as well as those related to MID MET SG/6, MID MSG/5 and MID ANSIG/2 as provided at **Appendix A**, and take action as appropriate.

APPENDIX A

FOLLOW-UP ACTION PLAN ON MIDANPIRG/15, MET SG/6, MSG/5, ANSIG/2 CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS

CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS	FOLLOW-UP	TO BE INITIATED BY	DELIVERABLE	TARGET DATE	REMARKS
MIDANPIRG Conc.15/10: MID REGION AIR NAVIGATION STRATEGY					COMPLETE
That, a) the revised MID Regional Air Navigation Strategy: i. is endorsed as the framework identifying the regional air navigation priorities, performance indicators and targets; and ii. be published as MID Doc 002 b) MID States be urged to: i. develop their National Air Navigation Performance	Implement the Conclusion	MIDANPIRG/15	Adopt revised MIDANPIRG Regional Air Navigation Strategy as MID Doc 002	2015	
Framework, ensuring the alignment with and support to the MID Region Air Navigation Strategy; and ii.provide the ICAO MID Regional Office, on annual basis (by end of November), with relevant data necessary for regional air navigation planning and monitoring.					
MIDANPIRG CONC.15/11: ENDORSEMENT OF THE MID eANP					COMPLETE
 That, a) the new MID ANP VOL I, II and III available at: http://www.icao.int/MID/MIDANPIRG/Pages/Final%20Report/MID-eANP.aspx are endorsed; and b) the ICAO MID Regional Office process the necessary Proposals for Amendment, in accordance with the procedure for amendment approved by the Council, for formal approval by the end of 2015. 	Implement the Conclusion	MID RO	Process and post eANP Vol I, II and III	2015	

CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS	Follow-up	TO BE INITIATED BY	DELIVERABLE	TARGET DATE	REMARKS
MIDANPIRG CONC.15/30: AFTN/CIDIN AFS CONNECTIVITY AND AMHS IMPLEMENTATION					ONGOING
That States be urged to:	Implement the Conclusion	MID States	Implement AMHS	2016-2017	
a) refrain from establishing new AFTN and CIDIN connections at the International level;					
b) gradually phase out the current connections based on AFTN and CIDIN standards; and					
c) expedite their AMHS implementation.					
MIDANPIRG CONC.15/33: OPMET EXCHANGE SCHEME					ONGOING
That States be urged to update their OPMET exchange scheme in coordination with ROC Jeddah and back-up ROC Bahrain in order to complete MID ROC implementation by 30 September 2015.	Implement the Conclusion	MID States & ROC Jeddah & back-up ROC Bahrain	Implementation of ROC Jeddah and back-up ROC Bahrain	Sep 2015	(once closed, MIDANPIRG Conc. 14/30 will be closed)
MIDANPIRG Conc. 14/30: ESTABLISHMENT OF MID REGIONAL OPMET CENTRE					ONGOING
That,	Implement the Conclusion	ICAO, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain	Establishment of ROCs	Mid-2015	Implementation related events:
		as well as all			-Regional OPMET
a) Saudi Arabia in coordination with ICAO establish a MID Regional OPMET Centre (ROC) by the first half of 2015 to improve the regional and inter-regional OPMET efficiency;		MID States			Centre (ROC) Workshop – Jeddah, Saudi Arabia 31 Aug – 1 Sep 2014
b) Bahrain in coordination with ICAO establish a back-up Regional OPMET Centre (ROC); and					- I Sep 2014 -Inter-Regional OPMET Data Exchange Workshop
c) MID States be encouraged to continue cooperation in the exchange of OPMET data in the MID Region.					– Vienna, Austria 23- 24 October 2014
					SL AN10/11-15/100 dated 31 March 2015

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					requested coordination from Egypt, Iran, Lebanon, Qatar, Sudan, Syria and Yemen
MIDANPIRG CONC. 15/35: AIR NAVIGATION DEFICIENCIES					COMPLETE
 That, States be urged to: a) use the MID Air Navigation Deficiency Database (MANDD) for the submission of requests for addition, update and elimination of Air Navigation Deficiencies, including the submission of a specific Corrective Action Plan (CAP) for each deficiency; and 	Implement the Conclusion	MID States and MID RO	Update MANDD	2015	
b) submit a Formal Letter to the ICAO MID Regional Office containing the evidence(s) that mitigation measures have been implemented for the elimination of deficiency(ies) when requesting the elimination of deficiency(ies) from the MANDD.					
MET SG Draft Conc. 6/1: Preparation for Cessation of SADIS 2G					COMPLETE
 That, SADIS user States and SADIS users confirm the nature of their SADIS service as described in Appendix 4.1A, and where necessary ensure that they are prepared for the cessation of SADIS 2G by: a) making arrangements at the earliest opportunity to migrate to Secure SADIS FTP as described in Appendix 4.1B for those SADIS 2G users who do not yet have access to Secure SADIS FTP; and b) ensuring that SADIS workstations are configured to use data from Secure SADIS FTP operationally for those SADIS 2G. 	Implement the Draft Conclusion (due to time constraint – well before MIDANPIRG/16)	MID RO and States	State letter	Mar 2015	(Ref. SL AN 10/2 – 16/126 dated 21 April 2016)
from Secure SADIS FTP operationally for those SADIS 2G users who already have access to Secure SADIS FTP.					

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Note: Although the SADIS 2G service will continue until 31 July 2016, it is recommended that user's transition is complete by, and that SADIS 2G is not being used operationally after 1 June 2016.					
MET SG Draft Conc. 6/2: SPECIAL AIR-REPORT TEST					ONGOING
That, States be invited to participate in the EUR Special Air-Report Test in order to identify deficiencies and associated solutions in the reporting and dissemination of these reports.	Implement the draft Conclusion (subject to MIDANPIRG/16 endorsement)	MID RO and States (subject to MIDANPIRG/16 endorsement)	State letter	Sep 2016	
Note: Guidance on the format and dissemination of special air- reports will be adapted for the MID Region and provided as an attachment to the invitation.					
ANSIG DRAFT CONC. 2/5: SPECIAL AIR-REPORT TEST					ONGOING
That, States be invited to participate in the EUR Special Air-Report Test in order to identify deficiencies and associated solutions in the reporting and dissemination of these reports.					(replaces MET SG draft Conclusion 6/2)
MET SG Draft Dec. 6/3: Revised BMG Terms of Reference					ONGOING
That, the terms of reference of the Bulletin Management Group (BMG) of the MET Sub-Group to the MIDANPIRG be updated as at Appendix 4.3E .	Implement Draft Decision (subject to MIDANPIRG/16 endorsement)	MID RO	Revised terms of reference	March 2017	(BMG/6 to review and update for MIDANPIRG/16 endorsement)
MET SG DRAFT CONC. 6/4: MID REGIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR HALF-HOURLY METAR					COMPLETE
That, States provide input to the proposed changes to the MET Part of Volume III element OPMET by 31 March 2016 using the following criteria in determining which AOP aerodromes should issue half-hourly METAR: a) volume of aircraft operations at an aerodrome;	Implement Draft Conclusion	MID RO	State letter Responses input to VOL III of eANP	March 2016	(ref. SL ME 3/2.3 – 16/075) -Only two responses received: HSSS (Sudan) and ORBI (Iraq) issue METAR

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b) frequency of significant weather changes; andc) use of METAR in VOLMET.					every half-hour -Small subset of AOP aerodromes issue METAR every half-hour
MSG Conc. 5/12: MID REGIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR HALF-HOURLY METAR					ONGOING
That, States provide the ICAO MID Regional Office with proposed changes to the MET Part of Volume II related to the criteria used for determining which AOP aerodromes should issue half-hourly METAR, by 30 June 2016 .					Proposed text by ICAO in next amendment proposal (para. 2.2 of Vol II, Part V (MET) of eANP:
					BMG/6 WP/3
MET SG DRAFT CONC. 6/5: MID EANP VOLUMES II AND III – MET PART That, the proposed changes to the MID eANP Volumes II and III – MET Part as at Appendices 4.6B and 4.6C, taking into consideration input from States, be processed in accordance with the standard procedure of amendment.	Implement Draft Conclusion	MID RO	Process amendment proposal of eANP VOL II and III – MET Part	2015	(ref. AN 5-6-7-8-10-13/5A dated 14 Feb 2016 – approval of PfA Vol II & Ref. AN 5-6-7-8-10-13/5A dated 15 Feb 2016 – approval of Vol III)
MSG CONC. 5/11: INTERREGIONAL SEMINAR ON 'SERVICE IMPROVEMENT THROUGH INTEGRATION OF DIGITAL AIM, MET AND ATM INFORMATION'					ONGOING
That, a) ICAO organize an Interregional Seminar on 'Service improvement through integration of digital AIM, MET and ATM Information' in 2017; and	Implement Conclusion	RO EUR and MID in coordination with RO APAC	Seminar	2-5 Oct 2017 (Eurocontrol, Brussels)	

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b) States be encouraged to attend and support the Seminar.					
MSG CONC. 5/13: MID EANP VOLUME III – B0-AMET					COMPLETE
 That, a) the MID eANP Volume III – B0-AMET be amended to reflect the changes at Appendix 5K; and b) the notification of the amendment of the MID eANP Volume III – B0-AMET be sent to the MID eANP Focal Points. 	Implement Conclusion	RO MID	Revised MID eANP Vol III – B0-AMET	2017	