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Subject: Fourth Meeting of the MIDANPIRG AIM Sub-Group (AIM SG/4) and Fifth Meeting of the MID Region AIM Database Task Force (MIDAD TF/5) (Cairo, Egypt, 13-15 February 2018)

Action required: Reply not later than 22 January 2018

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Fourth Meeting of the Aeronautical Information Management Sub-Group (AIM SG/4) and the Fifth Meeting of the MID Region AIM Database Task Force (MIDAD TF/5) will be held at the ICAO MID Office, Cairo, Egypt, **13-15 February 2018**. Your Administration/Organization is kindly invited to participate in these meetings.

The Provisional Agenda for the AIM SG/4 and MIDAD TF/5 meetings (combined) is at **Attachments A**. Your comments on the attached Provisional Agenda, including any amendment(s) you may wish to suggest, would be appreciated.

Administrative arrangements for the Meeting and other useful information for participants, including the MID Office Bulletin and the Hotel List are available on the ICAO MID Office website at: (<http://www2010.icao.int/MID/Pages/MID-Office-Bulletin.aspx>).

This letter, all its relevant attachments and Working/Information Papers (as they become available), will be posted in PDF format on the ICAO MID website at: www.icao.int/mid.

I would like to underline that, in accordance with its TORs, as at **Attachments B**, the AIM SG/4 meeting will address AIM planning and implementation issues in the MID Region including challenges and lessons learned; and will update status of AIM implementation through review of the MID eANP and the draft MID Air Navigation Report-2017. Global and Regional developments related to AIM and SWIM will also be addressed by the meeting.

It is to be highlighted that the MIDAD TF/5 meeting (MIDAD TF TORs at **Attachments C**) will follow-up on the implementation of Phase A of the MIDAD Project, as agreed by the EAD-MIDAD Workshop. The meeting will also address the development of a detailed action plan for Phase B (set-up of MIDAD Manager), as required by the DGCA-MID/4 meeting (Muscat, Oman, 17-19 October 2017).

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Your Administration/Organization is encouraged to participate actively in the work of the meetings by submitting working, information papers and/or presentations covering subjects contained in the provisional agenda. I would be grateful to receive your papers in an electronic format prior to **1 February 2018**, in order to allow time for processing and advance posting on the web.

I would appreciate if you could, as soon as possible, preferably not later than **22 January 2018**, confirm the participation of your Administration/Organization by submitting the Nomination Form at **Attachment D** to the ICAO MID Office at the following email address (icaomid@icao.int) with a copy to (aniknejad@icao.int).

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.



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Attachments

FOURTH MEETING OF THE MIDANPIRG AIM SUB-GROUP (AIM SG/4)

FIFTH MEETING OF THE MID REGION AIM DATABASE TASK FORCE (MIDAD TF/5)

(Cairo, Egypt, 13-15 February 2018)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- Agenda Item 1:** Adoption of the Provisional Agenda
- Agenda Item 2:** Follow-up on DGCA-MID/4 and MIDANPIRG/16 Conclusions and Decisions relevant to AIM and MIDAD
- Agenda Item 3:** MID Region AIM Database (MIDAD) Project
- Agenda Item 4:** Global/Regional developments related to AIM and SWIM
- Agenda Item 5:** AIM Planning and Implementation in the MID Region
- Agenda Item 6:** Review of Air Navigation Deficiencies in the AIM Field
- Agenda Item 7:** Future Work Programme
- Agenda Item 8:** Any other business

**MIDANPIRG AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT
SUB-GROUP (AIM SG)**

1. TERMS OF REFERENCE

1.1 The Terms of Reference of the AIM Sub-Group are:

- a) ensure that the implementation of AIM in the MID Region is coherent and compatible with developments in adjacent regions, and is in line with the Global Air Navigation Plan (GANP), the Aviation System Block Upgrades (ASBU) methodology and the MID Region Air Navigation Strategy;
- b) monitor the status of implementation of the MID Region AIM-related ASBU Modules included in the MID Region Air Navigation Strategy as well as other required AIM facilities and services, identify the associated difficulties and deficiencies and provide progress reports, as required;
- c) keep under review the MID Region AIM performance objectives/priorities, develop action plans to achieve the agreed performance targets and propose changes to the MID Region AIM plans/priorities, through the ANSIG;
- d) seek to achieve common understanding and support from all stakeholders involved in or affected by the AIM developments/activities in the MID Region;
- e) provide a platform for harmonization of developments and deployments in the AIM domain;
- f) monitor and review the latest developments in the area of AIM and procedure design issues associated to AIM, provide expert inputs for AIM-related issues; and propose solutions for meeting ATM operational requirements;
- g) provide regular progress reports to the ANSIG and MIDANPIRG concerning its work programme; and
- h) review periodically its Terms of Reference and propose amendments, as necessary.

1.2 In order to meet the Terms of Reference, the AIM Sub-Group shall:

- a) monitor the status of implementation of the required AIM facilities and services in the MID Region;
- b) assess and provide progress reports on the transition from AIS to AIM in the MID Region;
- c) provide necessary assistance and guidance to States to ensure harmonization and interoperability in line with the GANP, the MID ANP and ASBU methodology;
- d) provide necessary inputs to the MID Air Navigation Strategy through the monitoring of the agreed Key Performance Indicators related to AIM;

- e) identify and review those specific deficiencies and problems that constitute major obstacles to the provision of efficient AIM services, and recommend necessary remedial actions;
- f) keep under review the adequacy of ICAO SARPs requirements in the area of AIM, taking into account, inter alia, changes in user requirements, the evolution of operational requirements and technological developments;
- g) develop proposals for the updating of relevant ICAO documentation related to AIM, including the amendment of relevant parts of the MID ANP, as deemed necessary;
- h) monitor and review technical and operating developments in the area of AIM and foster their implementation in the MID Region in a harmonized manner; and
- i) foster the integrated improvement of AIM services through proper training and qualification of the AIM personnel.

2. COMPOSITION

2.1 The Sub-Group will compose of:

- a) MIDANPIRG Member States;
- b) concerned International and Regional Organizations as observers; and
- c) other representatives from provider States and Industry may be invited on ad hoc basis, as observers, when required.

MID REGION AIM DATABASE TASK FORCE (MIDAD TF)

1. TERMS OF REFERENCE

The terms of Reference of the MIDAD TF are to:

- a) take responsibility for overall leadership, supervision, direction, and management of the MIDAD project;
- b) carry out necessary coordination with States for the establishment of the MID Region AIM Database (MIDAD);
- c) address all technical, operational, financial, legal and institutional issues related to MIDAD;
- d) agree on the mechanism(s) for the oversight of MIDAD;
- e) monitor the developments of the MIDAD Project; and
- f) provide regular progress reports to the AIM SG, ANSIG and MIDANPIRG, as appropriate, concerning its work programme.

2. COMPOSITION

The MIDAD TF is composed of:

- a) all MIDAD member States;
- b) other MID States which are not member of MIDAD and concerned International/Regional Organizations, as observers; and
- c) representatives from industry and user Organizations having a vested interest in Aeronautical Information Management and experience in the development of Regional AIS/AIM Databases could participate as observers, as necessary.
