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Subject:

Sixth Meeting of the MIDANPIRG AIM Sub-Group (AIM SG/6)

(Cairo, Egypt, 21-23 January 2020)

Action required: Reply not later than 31 December 2019

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Sixth Meeting of the Aeronautical Information Management Sub-Group (AIM SG/6) will be held at the ICAO MID Office, Cairo, Egypt, **21-23 January 2020,** back-to-back with the PBN SG/4 (19 – 21 January 2020). Your Administration/Organization is kindly invited to participate in this meeting. Registration for the AIM SG/6 Meeting will start at 10:00 am and the opening ceremony will be at 11:00 am.

The Provisional Agenda for the AIM SG/6 meeting is at **Attachment A**. Your comments on the attached Provisional Agenda, including any amendment 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: https://www.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 the AIM SG Terms of Reference (TORs) at **Attachment C**, the AIM SG/6 meeting will address Global and Regional developments related to AIM and SWIM as well as the AIM planning and implementation issues in the MID Region including challenges and lessons learned. Therefore, each State is invited to provide an update on the status of AIM implementation, the associated challenges faced in the implementation process and the lessons learned/best practices, as well as the action plans to meet the global and regional targets.

Your Administration/Organization is encouraged to participate actively in the work of the meeting by submitting working, information papers and/or presentations covering subjects contained in the provisional agendas. I would be grateful to receive your papers in an electronic format prior to 10 January 2020, in order to allow time for processing and advance posting on the website.

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I would appreciate if you could, as soon as possible, preferably not later than **31 December 2019,** confirm the participation of your Administration/Organization by submitting the Nomination Form at **Attachment** C to the ICAO MID Office at the following email address (icaomid@icao.int).

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.



for/ Mohamed Khalifa Rahma Middle East Regional Director

Attachments

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Agenda Item 1: Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and election of chairpersons

Agenda Item 2: Follow-up on MIDANPIRG/17 Conclusions and Decisions relevant to AIM

Agenda Item 3: Global and Regional Developments related to AIM

Agenda Item 3: AIM Planning and Implementation in the MID Region

Agenda Item 4: Review of Air Navigation Deficiencies in the AIM Field

Agenda Item 5: Future Work Programme

Agenda Item 6: 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;
 - 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.
