

International Civil Aviation Organization

# Middle East Regional Monitoring Agency Board

Eighteenth Meeting (MIDRMA Board/18) (Doha, Qatar, 19 – 20 September 2022)

# Agenda Item 3: Progress Report on the MIDRMA Project

## MIDRMA PROJECT (RAB/05/802) SUSTAINABILITY

(Presented by the Secretariat)

### **SUMMARY**

This paper presents the current situation of the MIDRMA Staffing and addresses the subject of continuation of the services of the MIDRMA (succession and training plan).

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

#### REFERENCES

- MIDANPIRG Reports
- MIDRMA Board Reports

### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The meeting may wish to recall that the MIDRMA was established in 2006. The project is hosted by Bahrain. A Memorandum of Agreement was signed by all member States and ICAO as at **Appendix A**, and a Custodian Agreement was signed between ICAO (TCB), Bahrain and the MIDRMA Board Chairman (on behalf of the member States) as at **Appendix B**.
- 1.2 The meeting may wish to recall the discussion during the MIDRMA Board/12 Meeting, related to the MIDRMA staffing and the scope of activities and work of the MIDRMA, which has significantly increased since its establishment, especially with the conduct of GMU height monitoring missions, which are generating most of the income of the MIDRMA and ensured its financial sustainability.
- 1.3 The meeting may wish to recall that MIDANPIRG/12, through Conclusion 12/13 agreed on the MIDRMA Staffing.
- 1.4 The meeting may wish to note that the MIDRMA organized in several occasions training sessions to ATC and the MIDRMA Focal Points, to ensure all communication with the States the efficient.

### 2. DISCUSSION

2.1 After about 20 years of the service, new functions and responsibilities were assigned to the MIDRMA team, which acquired the full technical capabilities to handle and support the MIDRMA. An agreement on a succession plan for the continuity of service of the MIDRMA is becoming an urgency.

2.2 The Chairman of the MIDRMA and both technical Staff are approaching the retirement. The succession of the Staff and the transfer of knowledge could be addressed during a training period that could extent for not less than 2 years.

# 3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to
  - a) note the information provided; and
  - b) discuss all issues related to the management and sustainability of the MIDRMA Project.

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