



International Civil Aviation Organization

Safety Enhancement Implementation Group

Fourth Meeting (SEIG/4)
(Cairo, Egypt, 23-25 October 2022)

Agenda Item 2: Regional Performance Framework for Safety

MID States Progress on NASPs Development

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents the status of MID States Progress on NASPs Development.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

REFERENCES

- RASG-MID/9 Report
- GASP 2023-2025 Edition

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 In line with the Safety Strategic Objective of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), the 2023-2025 edition of the *Global Aviation Safety Plan* (GASP, Doc 10004) presents the global strategy for the continuous improvement of aviation safety. The purpose of the GASP is to continually reduce fatalities, and the risk of fatalities, by guiding the development of a harmonized aviation safety strategy. It provides a framework in which regional and national aviation safety plans (RASPs and NASPs) are developed and implemented.

1.2 The Middle East Regional Aviation Safety Plan (MID-RASP) establishes the first layer of priorities which is further complemented at national level by National Aviation Safety Plans (NASPs) and/or States' Safety Programmes; and would ensure the timely implementation of the SEIs to address safety deficiencies and mitigate risks to attain the MID Region Safety Targets.

1.3 The States NASP should be developed in alignment with the GASP and the MID-RASP. However, priority should be given to national safety concerns. Moreover, the NASP should be also aligned and coordinated with the MID-RASP (as appropriate) and with other efforts aimed at enhancing aviation safety.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The meeting recalled that ICAO issued States Letter to States on “*the submission of the National Aviation Safety Plan (NASP)*” through State Letter Ref.: AN 6/37- 22/7 dated 11 March 2022. Replies were received from Four (4) States (Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, and Saudi Arabia).

2.2 The meeting may wish to note that the RASG-MID/9 held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia 14 - 17 February 2022 endorsed Conclusion 9/1:

RASG-MID CONCLUSION 9/1: SHARING OF THE NASP

That States,

be urged to develop and implement the NASP in line with the GASP and MID-RASP and share the latest version of their NASPs with ICAO HQ and ICAO Regional MID office for posting on the GASP public website.

2.3 It is to be highlighted that the **GASP 2023-2025 Target 3.2** calls for all *States to publish a NASP by 2024*. This is a new GASP target. It is integrated as part of the SSP-related GASP goal because a State should define and publish its strategy and actions to ensure effective safety management and address organizational challenges in a dedicated plan, as part of the SSP.

2.4 Therefore, the NASP can assist a State in developing a strategy, including an action plan with specific SEIs, to facilitate SSP implementation. Through the NASP, the State expresses its commitment to enhancing aviation safety and to the resourcing of supporting activities. The publication of a NASP, as the document containing the State’s strategic direction for the management of aviation safety at the national level, allows for the allocation of resources dedicated to the SSP, through the development and implementation of that plan.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) note the MID States Progress on NASPs Development;
- b) urge States to develop and implement the NASP in line with the GASP and MID-RASP, if not yet done;
- c) urge States to share the latest version of their NASPs with ICAO HQ and ICAO Regional MID office for posting on the GASP public website;
- d) encourage States to request assistance from the ICAO MID Regional Office related to the development of their NASPs including the conduct of assistance missions and/or customized NASP Workshop for each State; and
- e) share their experiences related to the development of their NASPs during the SEIG meetings and/or Regional NASP Workshop to be organized by the ICAO MID Regional Office in 2023.

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