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**Annual Safety Report Group**

**Fifth Meeting (ASRG/5)**  
*(Virtual Meeting- 5 October 2023)*

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**Agenda Item 2: Regional Performance Framework for Safety**

**FOLLOW-UP ON THE RASG-MID/10 CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS**

*(Presented by the Secretariat)*

<b>SUMMARY</b>
This paper presents the status of the PIRG/RASG and RASG-MID/10 Conclusions and Decisions and the follow-up actions taken by concerned parties.  Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.
<b>REFERENCES</b>
- RASG-MID/10 Report

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 The Tenth meeting of the Regional Aviation Safety Group – Middle East (RASG-MID/10) was held in Muscat, Oman, 14-17 May 2023

**2. DISCUSSION**

2.1 The RASG-MID/10 and PIRG/RASG meeting endorsed eleven (11) Conclusions and three (3) Decisions and five (5) Conclusions as at **Appendices A & B** respectively.

**3. ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1 The meeting is invited to note the follow-up on the outcome of the RASG-MID/10 and PIRG/RASG meeting; and take action as appropriate.

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**FOLLOW-UP ACTION PLAN ON RASG-MID/10 CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS**

No.	CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS	CONCERNS/ CHALLENGES (RATIONALE)	DELIVERABLE/ TO BE INITIATED BY		TARGET DATE	STATUS/REMARKS
C. 10/1	<p><b>11<sup>TH</sup> ASR</b></p> <p>That, the Eleventh MID Annual Safety Report is endorsed and be posted on the ICAO MID Website.</p>	<p>Sharing the final 11<sup>th</sup> MID-ASR for the period 2017-2021 with identified MID Region safety priorities</p>	<p>MID-ASR 11<sup>th</sup> Edition published on the ICAO website</p>	<p>RASG-MID/10</p>	<p>July 2023</p>	<p><b>Completed</b></p>
C. 10/2	<p><b>SHARING OF SAFETY DATA ANALYSIS</b></p> <p>That, in order to present an improved version of the 12th MID-ASR to the MID-ASRG/5 meeting, States be urged to provide the ICAO MID Office by 30 May 2023 with the number of accidents, serious incidents and incidents, safety data analysis/information, and their associated safety recommendations in <b>Appendix 5.1A</b> for the past 5 years (2018 – 2022) and using the template in <b>Appendix 5.1B</b>.</p>	<p>Collection of safety data for a Harmonized database</p>	<p>Safety Data Analysis for development of ASR</p>	<p>States</p>	<p>May 2023</p>	<p><b>Completed</b></p>
C.10/3	<p><b>RSA ON EGPWS/TAWS</b></p> <p>That, the guidance material (RSA-16) on measures to improve the effectiveness of Enhanced Ground Proximity Warning System (EGPWS)/Terrain Awareness and Warning System (TAWS) at <b>Appendix 5.2B</b> is endorsed.</p>	<p>Continuous reduction of the Operational Safety Risk (CFIT)</p>	<p>RSA-16 on measures to improve the effectiveness of EGPWS/ TAWS circulate to all States</p>	<p>IATA ICAO</p>	<p>August 2023</p>	<p><b>Completed</b></p> <p><i>SL issued File Ref.: ME4 -23/156; dated 3 August 2023</i></p>
C. 10/4	<p><b>RSA ON DG INSPECTORS OVERSIGHT</b></p> <p>That, the guidance material (RSA-18) to support States inspectors to conduct oversight to ensure safe transport of dangerous goods by air at <b>Appendix 5.2C</b> is endorsed</p>	<p>Share best practices on transport of dangerous goods by air</p>	<p>RSA-18 to support States inspectors to conduct oversight to ensure safe transport of dangerous goods by air circulate to all States</p>	<p>Bahrain and Oman ICAO</p>	<p>August 2023</p>	<p><b>Completed</b></p> <p><i>SL issued File Ref.: ME4 -23/157; dated 3 August 2023</i></p>

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C. 10/5	<p><b>RSA ON OCCURRENCE REPORTING</b></p> <p>That, the guidance material (RSA-17) to support States' on developing an occurrence reporting system for the CAA and on establishing an effective operation of the mandatory and voluntary reporting systems at <b>Appendix 5.2D</b> is endorsed.</p>	Share best practices on occurrence reporting	RSA-17 to support States' on developing an occurrence reporting system circulated to all States			<p><b>Completed</b></p> <p><i>SL issued File Ref.: ME4 -23/15; dated 3 August 2023</i></p>
C. 10/6	<p><b>RSA ON SMS ASSESSMENT</b></p> <p>That, the guidance material (RSA-19) to support States' on developing and conducting an SMS Assessment on their Service providers at <b>Appendix 5.2E</b> is endorsed.</p>	Share best practices on conducting SMS assessment tool	RSA-19 to support States' on developing and conducting an SMS Assessment on their Service providers circulated to all States	UAE ICAO	August 2023	<p><b>Completed</b></p> <p><i>SL issued File Ref.: ME4 -23/159; dated 3 August 2023</i></p>
C. 10/7	<p><b>MID-RASP 2023-2025 EDITION</b></p> <p>That,</p> <p>a) the MID-RASP 2023-2025 Edition including the Safety Enhancement Initiatives (SEIs) and the MID region Safety Performance Measurement and Monitoring (SPMM) at Appendix 5.2F is endorsed; and</p> <p>b) urge States, international organization, and industry to support the MID-RASP 2023-2025 Edition activities including SEIs and their respective safety actions.</p>	Sharing the final MID-RASP 2023-2025 Edition	MID-RASP 2023-2025 Edition published on the ICAO website	RASG-MID/10	August 2023	<p><b>Completed</b></p>

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D. 10/8	<p><b>ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ACTION GROUP</b></p> <p>That, the Action Group composed of the following States &amp; international organizations and their nominated experts, is established to develop the guidance material to assist MID Region States in the issuance of exemptions related to temporary deviations from standards impacting Articles 38 and 40 of the Chicago Convention.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Iran: Mr. Mahmoodreza Rohani</li> <li>- Qatar: Dr. Ramy Saad</li> <li>- Sudan: Mr. Bahaeldin AbdAlrahim Yassin</li> <li>- UAE: Mr. Ahmed Salim Abdalla AlSaabri</li> <li>- IATA: Mr. Jehad Faqir</li> <li>- ACAO: Mr. Hicham Bennani.</li> </ul>	Share best practices on the issuance of exemptions	RSA the issuance of exemptions related to temporary deviations	Qatar supported by Iran, Sudan, UAE, ACAO, IATA	Oct. 2023	<b>On-going</b>
D. 10/9	<p><b>ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ACTION GROUP</b></p> <p>That, the Action Group composed of the following States and their nominated experts, is established to develop the guidance material to support States for the conduct of remote surveillance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Iran: Mr. Jaber Goodarzi</li> <li>- Jordan: Eng. Rawan Al-Naimat</li> <li>- Qatar: Dr. Ramy Saad</li> <li>- Saudi Arabia: TBD</li> <li>- Sudan: Mr. Bahaeldin AbdAlrahim Yassin</li> <li>- UAE: Mr. Eisa Saeed Al Mesmari</li> <li>- ACAO: Mr. Hicham Bennani</li> </ul>	Share best practices on the conduct of remote surveillance	RSA to support States for the conduct of remote surveillance	Qatar supported by Iran, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, UAE, and ACAO.	Oct. 2023	<b>On-going</b>



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C. 10/11	<p><b>DEVELOPMENT OF SSP IN MID STATES</b></p> <p>That, States be:</p> <p>a) encouraged to effectively implement their State Safety Programme in a timely manner, and to strengthen the implementation of safety management systems in their aviation industry;</p> <p>b) encouraged to request assistance from the ICAO MID Regional Office related to the development and implementation of their SSPs including the conduct of assistance missions and/or customized SSP implementation Workshop for each State;</p> <p>c) encouraged to support the SMIT activities;</p> <p>d) share their experiences on the development of their SSPs during the SEIG meetings;</p> <p>e) encouraged to share their latest version of SSP manuals with ICAO MID Office; and</p> <p>f) States are urged to provide the ICAO MID Office by <b>30 June 2023</b> with the SSP information using the template in <b>Appendix 5.2G</b> to support MID office in identifying and prioritising the needs of States on SSP development and implementation.</p>	Support States with the development and Implementation of SSP	State Letter	ICAO	Feb. 2023	<p><b>On-going</b></p> <p><i>SSP workshops conducted</i> <i>SSP training course conducted</i> <i>Survey conducted</i></p>
C. 10/12	<p><b>ADHERENCE TO ICAO ANNEX 13</b></p> <p>That, the State conducting an investigation must submit a Preliminary report to ICAO within thirty days of the date of the accident and release the final report within twelve months in accordance with ICAO Annex 13 requirement.</p>	Sharing of the Final Investigation Report	RASG-MID/10	States		<p><b>On-going</b></p> <p><i>Discussed during the AIGP/8 meeting and highlighted during MENA ARCM/4 meeting</i></p>

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D. 10/13	<p><b>DISSOLUTION OF THE CIVIL HELICOPTER OPERATIONS WORKING GROUP</b></p> <p>That,</p> <p>a) the CHOPWG is dissolved;</p> <p>b) the RASG-MID Organizational Structure be updated as at Appendix 5.5A; and</p> <p>c) the RASG-MID Procedural Handbook be revised and presented to RASG-MID/11 Meeting for endorsement.</p>	Low participation	RASG-MID/10	ICAO States	May 2023	<b>Completed</b>
C. 10/14	<p><b>SAFETY DATA ANALYSIS COLLECTION RELATED TO CIVIL HELICOPTER OPERATIONS</b></p> <p>That States are urged to share their Safety Data Analysis to be included in MID Region Annual Safety Report.</p>	Collection of Safety Data Analysis related to Civil Helicopter Operations for a Harmonized database	Safety Data Analysis for development of ASR	States	May 2024	<p><b>On-going</b></p> <p>To be highlighted during the upcoming ASRG/5 meeting and be analysis be included in the upcoming 13<sup>th</sup> MID ASR.</p>

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**FOLLOW-UP ACTION PLAN ON PIRG/RASG MID CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS**

No.	CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS	CONCERNS/ CHALLENGES (RATIONALE)	DELIVERABLE/ TO BE INITIATED BY		TARGET DATE	STATUS/REMARKS
C. 1	<p><b>EVOLUTION OF AVIATION SAFETY PLANNING</b></p> <p>That, hat States, nominate a focal point and provide information on the Secure Portal on Operational Safety Risks and Emerging Issues to support work of RASG and provide inputs for future editions of GASP</p>	<p>Sharing of the operational safety risks and emerging issues</p>	<p>Support the update of the future editions of GASP</p>	<p>ICAO States</p>	<p>August 2023</p>	<p><b>Completed</b> SL issued</p>
C. 2	<p><b>SHARING OF THE NASP</b></p> <p>That States, be reminded to share the latest version of their NASPs with ICAO HQ and ICAO MID Office for posting on the GASP public website.</p>	<p>Compliance with Assembly Resolution A40-1</p>	<p>State Letter</p>	<p>States</p>	<p>August 2023</p>	<p><b>Completed</b> SL issued</p>
C. 3	<p><b>MENA ARCM</b></p> <p><i>That States be encouraged to sign the MENA AIG Regional Cooperation Mechanism (MENA ARCM) MoU, if not yet done.</i></p>	<p>Enhancement of cooperation among MENA States in the provision of AIG area</p>	<p>Sign the MoU to support States in AIG area</p>	<p>States</p>	<p>July 2023</p>	<p><b>On-going</b></p> <p>Highlighted during MENA ARCM/4 meeting and discussed during the AIGP/8 meeting</p>
C. 4	<p><b>MENA RSOO</b></p> <p>That,</p> <p>a) States are encouraged to Join the MENA RSOO by signing the revised Memorandum of Agreement; and</p>	<p>Enhancement of States' Oversight Capabilities, increase USOAP EI and support development and implementation of SSP</p>	<p>Sign the MoA to legally establish MENA RSOO and lunch its operation</p>	<p>States</p>	<p>2024</p>	<p><b>On-going</b></p> <p>The Second Steering Committee meeting (DGs Level) held on 10 May 2022 in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, alongside the First Future Aviation Forum. It was highlighted that some MENA States have officially joined the MENA RSOO by presenting their signed copies of the Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) to ACAA.</p>

## APPENDIX B

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	b) States and Stakeholders are urged to support the establishment and operations of the MENA RSOO to enhance aviation safety at National and Regional levels.					
C. 5	<p><b>CONTINUOUS COLLABORATION APPROACH TO MANAGING AND ENHANCING SAFETY IN MID REGION</b></p> <p>That,</p> <p>a) States and Stakeholders are urged to support the implementation of the Continuous Collaboration Approach to Managing and Enhancing Safety in MID Region;</p> <p>b) Continuous Collaboration Approach to Managing and Enhancing Safety in MID Region to be included as a strategic approach within the RASG-MID and MIDANPIRG frameworks; and</p> <p>c) Coordinating the prioritization of Member States needs with ICAO MID Regional Office.</p>	<p>Managing and Enhancing Safety in MID Region</p> <p>Challenges include: 1) Unstable Security/Political Situation 2) Financial Constraint (financial resources) 3) Insufficient qualified and experienced technical staff 4) Development of NASP and SSP implementation 5) Lack of sharing of safety information</p>	Fostering effective risk management capabilities in the MID Region, State and industry level to cope with the systemic and operational safety risks and wide-ranging effects of the crisis and constitute an important enabler for building back a more resilient aviation system	States and all Stakeholders and partners	On-going	<p><b>Actioned</b></p> <p>DGCA-MID/6 meeting (Abu Dhabi, 1 – 3 November 2022) endorsed the Approach and commended the ICAO MID Regional Office for developing this Collaborative Approach for safety Enhancement and Management in the MID Region.</p> <p>MIDANPIRG/20 &amp; RASG-MID/10 supported the Approach and included it in its framework under MID RASP.</p>