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MID Region Flight Procedure Programme Steering Committee

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Agenda Item 4: Programme sustainability

MID FPP MEMBERSHIP AND SUSTAINABILITY

(Presented by the Manager MID FPP)

SUMMARY

This paper presents an update on the current membership of the MID FPP (Active States, User States, Donor States/Organizations) and explores means of how to further promote the Programme.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

REFERENCES

- Report of the Second Meeting of the MID Region Flight Procedure Programme Steering Committee (MID FPP SC/2)
- MID FPP Project Document (ProDoc)

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The MID FPP Institutional framework is based on the signature of the Project Document (ProDoc) by any State wishing to participate in the Programme. Upon signature, such State becomes a Participating State.

1.2 The Active States are Participating States that commit to funding the Programme by means of an annual financial contribution in line with the approved budget and agreed funding mechanism.

1.3 One of the important sustainability incomes of the MID FPP is the financial contributions by the Active States besides the revenue generation stream through the Programme services.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 Specifically, the Programme financial sustainability is guaranteed through the following stream of resources/revenues: (1) Annual contribution paid by the Active States, (2) Cash and/or in-kind contribution provided by Donors and, (3) Fees paid by Participating States.

2.2 The Director General Civil Aviation (DGCA) MID/6 endorsed through the Conclusion 6/3 emanating from MID FPP SC/2 meeting that, starting with 2023, the annual financial contribution of the Active States shall be US\$ 20,000, from which 50% may be used by the Active State against the services provided by the MID FPP in line with the approved Work Plan.

2.3 The meeting may wish to note that the establishment of the contribution amount has considered the balance of (1) encouraging/attracting, as much as possible, States to join the MID FPP for benefiting of Programme services and (2) Also reducing the cost-share contribution of each States.

2.4 Also, the meeting may wish to note that the MID FPP SC/2 agreed that the Donors, similarly to the Active States may use 50% of the provided donations against services provided by the MID FPP.

2.5 As a result, MID FPP will be achieving a larger base of financial stability necessary for its normal operations, but it will also assure a “win-win” result for the Donor member which would be benefiting of all advantages in respect of the Programme services.

2.6 The meeting may wish to note that, to date, the membership of the MID FPP is as follows:

Membership (No.)	States/Organizations
Initial Signatory Project Document (6)	Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Syria, UAE, and Yemen
Active States (3)	Iran, Kuwait, UAE (Host), Libya (TBC), Sudan (TBC)
Donor States	Qatar and Saudi Arabia
Donor Organization (1)	United ATS
User States (2 + 1)	Egypt (signed), Oman (MIDANPIRG, May 2023) Bahrain (TBD)

2.7 MID FPP has conceived an “attractive” funding mechanism for, especially, Active States i.e., enabling the use for services/trainings, etc., of 50% of its annual contribution and additional 20% discount which should motivate more States to adhere to the Programme. However, to date, there is no satisfactory financial platform assured through Active States annual contribution in order that the Programme can operate at its full capacity.

2.8 Therefore, in order to ensure the sustainability of the MID FPP, it is particularly important that a maximum number of States join the programme as Active State; and this will have also as direct consequence, an increase in the services provided by the MID FPP.

2.9 It is to be highlighted that the amount which was secured through voluntary contributions mainly by Qatar, Saudi Arabia and UAE allowed the launch of the MID FPP i.e., covering only the Y2022 expenditures.

2.10 Therefore, for the Year 2023 and beyond, MID FPP needs to also explore the means to further promote the Programme and to increase the active participation of the States/Organizations from the region.

2.11 The meeting may wish to note certain suggestions in order to encourage States/Organizations to actively join the Programme as follows:

- Foster the interest and commitment to financially support the MID FPP of the national Air Navigation Service Provider (ANSP) or Airport Authority on behalf of/delegated by the State Civil Aviation Authority which should remain the signatory entity of ProDoc.
- Encourage major/national Airlines interested in MID FPP services' benefits to contribute financially to the Programme budget.
- Encourage Donors from Industry and/or commercial organizations to annually contribute up to the level of an Active State profiting by same service benefits and the same rights within the Steering Committee.
- Encourage voluntary contributions by States to ensure MID FPP operations and supporting services for helping other States in the region lack resources & capabilities.
- Promote the MID FPP Work Plan and its achievements at different regional ICAO meetings, Workshops, Seminars, State visits, etc.
- Marketing of MID FPP accomplishments through articles in the ICAO magazine, regular emails to MID region aviation community, etc.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) note the MID FPP membership to date;
- b) encourage remaining States to join the programme; and
- c) discuss and suggest ways to further promote the Programme – refer to paragraph 2.12 above.