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Middle East Regional Monitoring Agency Board

Twentieth Meeting (MIDRMA Board/20) (Muscat, Oman, 10 – 11 November 2024)

Agenda Item 2: Follow-up on MIDANPIRG/21 and MIDRMA Board/19 Conclusions and Decisions

FOLLOW-UP ON MIDANPIRG/21 AND MIDRMA BOARD/19 CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents MIDANPIRG/21 Conclusions and Decisions related to the MIDRMA and the MIDRMA Board/19 Conclusions and Decisions and the follow-up actions taken.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

REFERENCES

- MIDANPIRG/21 and RASG-MID/11 Meetings (Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, 4 8 March 2024) Report
- MIDRMA Board/19 Meeting (Manama, Bahrain, 10 11 October 2023) Report

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The MIDANPIRG/21 meeting was held in Abu Dhabi, UAE, 4 8 March 2024. The meeting reviewed and endorsed 5 MIDRMA Board Conclusions (4) and Decision (1).
- 1.2 The MIDRMA Board/19 meeting (Manama, Bahrain, 10 11 October 2023) developed 5 Draft Conclusions (3) and Decisions (2).

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The updates on the status of MIDANPIRG/21 and RASG-MID/11 Conclusions and Decisions related to the MIDRMA as well as on the last MIDRMA Board Conclusions and Decisions show the follow-up actions taken by concerned parties.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to note the follow-up action on the list of Conclusions and Decisions as at **Appendix A** and provide updates as appropriate.

FOLLOW-UP ACTION PLAN ON MIDRMA/19 CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS

CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS	CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS CONCERNS/ CHALLENGES (RATIONALE) DELIVERABLE/ TO BE INITIATED BY DELIVERABLE		TARGET DATE	STATUS/REMARKS	
MIDRMA BOARD CONCLUSION 19/1: PAYMENT OF ARREARS TO THE MIDRMA PROJECT That, States, that have not yet done so, pay their contributions to the MIDRMA Project prior to 31 December 2023, based on the payment request issued by ICAO CDI.	Payment of arrears	Payments received by ICAO CDI	Concerned States	31 December 2023	Actioned Communication with States is ongoing. Details will be discussed in WP/4
MIDRMA BOARD DECISION 19/2: MIDRMA SUSTAINABILITY ACTION GROUP That: a) the MIDRMA Sustainability Action Group is established to develop a Strategic Plan for the MIDRMA to ensure business continuity and sustainability; and b) the Action Group is composed of members designated by: i. Bahrain; ii. Egypt iii. Jordan; iv. Oman; v. Saudi Arabia; vi. UAE (Rapporteur); vii. MIDRMA; and viii. ICAO MID. c) the MSAG provides progress report to the MIDRMA Board/20 Meeting.	Lack of Strategic Plan for continuity and sustainability of MIDRMA	Strategic Plan for the MIDRMA to ensure business continuity and sustainability	Action group members	Progress report to the Board/20 meeting	Ongoing Details will be discussed in WP/5
MIDRMA BOARD CONCLUSION 19/3: MIDRMA FUNDING MECHANISM That, a) the activities of the MIDRMA be ensured through contributions from all MIDRMA Member States, which could be recovered in accordance with	Lack of criteria to categorize MID FIRs regarding MIDRMA contribution	Define MIDRMA funding mechanism	Member States		Completed

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ICAO Policies on charges for Airports and Air Navigation Services (Doc 9082), in coordination with IATA;				
b) the MIDRMA Member States pay their contributions on a yearly basis not later than two (2) months after the issuance of the invoices by ICAO;				
c) ICAO issue the invoices related to States contribution to the MIDRMA Project on a yearly basis as decided by the MIDRMA Board or its Chairperson;				
d) the annual amounts to be paid by the MIDRMA Member States are, as follows:				
i. Category 1: Bahrain, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and UAE annual contribution is US\$ 30,000 each; and ii. Category 2: Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Sudan, Syria and Yemen annual contribution is US\$ 10,000 each.				
e) the MIDRMA Member States comply with the payment instructions contained in the invoices sent by ICAO HQ (Project code, fund number, invoice number, Bank information, etc.);				
f) in case a MIDRMA Member State does not pay the contribution to the MIDRMA Project in a timely manner, the MIDRMA Board might consider to take penalty measures against this State (exclusion from the MID RVSM Safety Monitoring Report, review of the Membership, etc);				
g) the MIDRMA Board Chairperson, in compliance with the Custodian Agreement and based on the agreed funding mechanism and the estimation of the yearly operating budget of the MIDRMA, be delegated the authority to certify on behalf of the MIDRMA Member States the requests for advance payment from the MIDRMA account managed by ICAO HQ to the MIDRMA Bank account in Bahrain, as decided by the MIDRMA Board;				
h) the bills related to the MIDRMA expenses be certified by the MIDRMA				

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Board Chairperson and reviewed by the MIDRMA Board at each of its meetings;					
i) the MIDRMA funding mechanism be revised by the MIDRMA Board, when necessary; and					
j) the MIDRMA is invited to explore additional funding and revenue sources to sustain the programme.					
MIDRMA BOARD DECISION 19/4: MID ADS-B HEIGHT MONITORING SYSTEM (MID AHMS) That, a) States implementing ADS-B to share the archived data with the MIDRMA for evaluation and analysis; b) MIDRMA to coordinate with MAAR for: i. sharing their experience in evaluating and analyzing samples of the received ADS-B data; and ii. providing required training related to AHMS implementation for MIDRMA Staff. c) MIDRMA to develop a mechanism and tools for submitting the ADS-B data by States; d) MIDRMA provides the required training for CNS engineers from member states responsible for extracting ADS-B data from their systems and submitting it to MIDRMA at regular, mutually agreed intervals; e) MIDRMA to develop and document all required processes and procedures to be reflected in the training Manuals for the AHMS implementation, to be incorporated in the MIDRMA Tasks and responsibilities;	Implementation of new technology to support the activities of hight monitoring.	Implement ADS-B as height monitoring system	Member States	Progress report to the Board/20 meeting	Ongoing Details will be discussed in WP/10

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 f) MIDRMA shall continue to provide GMU monitoring service until the AHMS is fully operational, and for the Aircraft not included in the MID-AHMS; and g) the funding mechanism (including services charges) might be revised accordingly (based on cost -recovery basis). In accordance with ICAO Policies on charges for Airports and Air Navigation Services (Doc 9082), in coordination with IATA. 				
 MIDRMA Board Conclusion 19/5: MID RVSM SMR 2024 That, a) the FPL/traffic data for the period 15 May – 15 June 2024 to be used for the development of the MID RVSM Safety Monitoring Report (SMR 2024); b) only the appropriate Flight Data form available on the MIDRMA website (www.midrma.com) should be used for the provision of FPL/traffic data to the MIDRMA, by 15 July 2024; and c) the final version of the MID RVSM SMR 2024 be ready for presentation and endorsement by the MIDANPIRG/22 Meeting. 	Develop SMR 2024	SMR 2024 MID States MIDRMA	31 Dec 2024	Ongoing Details will be discussed in WP/6

FOLLOW-UP ACTION PLAN ON MIDANPIRG/21 CONCLUSIONS & DECISIONS

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C.20/16	 IMPLEMENTATION OF C-DEC225: ESTABLISHMENT OF DOHA FOR/SRR That, a) the ICAO MID Office to monitor the implementation of the C-DEC225/10 and facilitate coordination between the States concerned, as required; b) States to carry out bilateral and multilateral coordination to finalize the operational and technical requirements, including the necessary letters of agreement; c) MIDRMA to conduct a safety Monitoring assessment for the RVSM airspace within Bahrain and Doha FIRs, highlighting bottlenecks, hotspots and areas of traffic congestion; d) Qatar to provide inputs for the development of the required proposal(s) for amendment to the MID ANP; e) States and other Stakeholders to provide implementation feedback and comments to the MID Office on a quarterly basis for review by the ATM SG; and f) the ATM SG to agree on necessary measures for the conduct of the technical study necessary to support the decision-making for the implementation of Phase 2 and develop a roadmap for the implementation of phase 2 to be presented to MIDANPIRG for endorsement. 	safety Monitoring assessment for the RVSM airspace within Bahrain and Doha FIRs	safety assessment report	MIDRMA		Ongoing Details will be discussed in WP/9		

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C.21/12	MID RVSM SMR 2023 That, the MID RVSM Safety Monitoring Report (SMR) 2023 at Appendix 5I, is endorsed.	Development of SMR 2023	SMR 2023			Completed
C. 21/13	NON-SUBMISSION OF REQUIRED DATA FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SMR2023 That, Lebanon, Libya and Sudan be included in the list of MID Air Navigation Deficiency	Issue new deficiency against concerned States	New deficiency in MANDD	Concerned States		Completed
C. 21/14	That, a) the FPL/traffic data for the period 15 May – 15 June 2024 to be used for the development of the MID RVSM Safety Monitoring Report (SMR 2024); b) only the appropriate Flight Data form available on the MIDRMA website (www.midrma.com) should be used for the provision of FPL/traffic data to the MIDRMA, by 15 July 2024; and c) the final version of the MID RVSM SMR 2024 be ready for presentation and endorsement by the MIDANPIRG/22 Meeting	Development of SMR 2024	SMR 2024	MID States MIDRMA	31 Dec 2024	Ongoing Details will be discussed in WP/6
C.21/15	OFAC LICENSE APPLICATION That, a) the Chairman of MIDRMA Board to submit an application on the OFAC website for the renewal of the OFAC License or waiver for the use of the EGMU unconditionally; and b) invited the FAA representative to support and follow-up the application process as appropriate.	Lack of OFAC license to conduct EGMU	OFAC license	MIDRMA		Completed

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D.21/16	That, a) States implementing ADS-B to share the archived data with the MIDRMA for evaluation and analysis; b) MIDRMA to coordinate with MAAR for: i. sharing their experience in evaluating and analyzing samples of the received ADS-B data; and ii. providing required training related to AHMS implementation for MIDRMA Staff. c) MIDRMA to develop a mechanism and tools for submitting the ADS-B data by States; d) MIDRMA provides the required training for CNS engineers from member states responsible for extracting ADS-B data from their systems and submitting it to MIDRMA at regular, mutually agreed intervals; e) MIDRMA to develop and document all required processes and procedures to be reflected in the training Manuals for the AHMS implementation, to be incorporated in the MIDRMA Tasks and responsibilities; f) MIDRMA shall continue to provide GMU monitoring service until the AHMS is fully operational, and for the Aircraft not included in the MID-AHMS; and g) the funding mechanism (including services charges) might be revised accordingly (based on cost -recovery basis). In accordance with ICAO Policies on charges for Airports and Air Navigation Services (Doc 9082), in coordination with IATA.	Implementation of new technology to support the activities of hight monitoring.	Implement ADS-B as height monitoring system	Member States	Progress report to the Board/20 meeting	Ongoing Details will be discussed in WP/10				