



International Civil Aviation Organization

MIDANPIRG/19 and RASG-MID/9 Meetings

(Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 14-17 February 2022)

Agenda Item 4.9: Future Work Programme

FUTURE WORK PROGRAMME & 5TH MID REGION SAFETY SUMMIT

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

The aim of this paper is to agree on the dates and venue of the 20th meeting of the Middle East Air Navigation Planning and Implementation Regional Group (MIDANPIRG/20) and 10th Meeting of the Regional Aviation Safety Group – Middle East (RASG-MID/10), as well as the 5th MID Region Safety Summit.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The meeting may wish to recall that new Terms of Reference of the PIRGs and RASGs stipulates that the frequency of the MINDANPIRG and RASG-MID meetings will be on an annual basis.

1.2 The 4th MID Region Safety Summit was successfully held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 2 - 3 October 2018. The Summit was gratefully hosted by the General Authority of Civil Aviation (GACA) of Saudi Arabia.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The RASG-MID/8 meeting agreed, through Decision 8/7, that RASG-MID meetings be organized on an annual basis concurrently with the MIDANPIRG in an in-person setting, unless decided otherwise. Considering the Global and Regional activities and holidays in 2023, it is proposed that RASG-MID/10 be organized in the 2nd quarter of 2023 (after Ramadhan).

2.2 Considering that the facilities of the ICAO MID Office could not accommodate the organization of MIDANPIRG & RASG-MID meetings, it is strongly encouraged that a volunteer State propose to host the MIDANPIRG/20 & RASG-MID/10 meetings.

2.3 Taking into consideration the latest developments, including the challenges caused by the COVID-19, the meeting noted that the 5th MID Region Safety Summit could not be conducted, as initially planned (in 2021). In this respect, the RASG-MID/8 meeting agreed that the Summit should be scheduled for the second half of 2022.

2.4 However, since year of 2022 is full of events in the MID Region, as well as the 41st ICAO Assembly will be held on 27 September –7 October 2022, it is proposed that the Summit be organized during first half of 2023. The Summit programme would include: COVID-19 impact on aviation safety, GASP 2023-2025 and NASPs.

2.5 The RASG-MID/8 meeting noted with appreciation that Saudi Arabia has generously re-confirmed the hosting of the 5th MID Region Safety Summit.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to agree on the dates and venue of the MIDANPIRG/20 and RASG-MID/10 meetings, as well as the 5th MID Region Safety Summit.

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