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MIDANPIRG/21 & RASG-MID/11 Meetings

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Agenda Item 6: Future Work Programme and Dates and Venue of MIDANPIRG/22 and RASG-MID/12

OUTCOMES OF SURVEY ON MEETING ARRANGMENT

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

The aim of this paper is to discuss the working arrangement of the MIDANPIRG and RASG-MID meetings.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 During the 40th Session of the ICAO Assembly, it was decided to align the meeting schedule of the Planning and Implementation Regional Groups (PIRGs) and Regional Aviation Safety Groups (RASGs) with the annual reporting requirement to the Council. Accordingly, the Council, (C-DEC 219/7), during the Review of Assembly Resolutions and Decisions working paper (C-WP/14983, Rev. 2), implemented the Assembly decision and on 7 August 2020, the President of the ICAO Council approved the amendment of the Terms of Reference of the PIRGs and RASGs to include annual meetings.

1.2 The revised Terms of Reference of the MIDANPIRG and RASG-MID amended the frequency of the meetings, and stated that, in close coordination with Chairpersons, at each meeting, the Group should endeavour to agree on the date and duration of its next meeting.

1.3 In accordance with the revised PIRG and RASG Terms of Reference (ToRs), the PIRGs and RASGs meetings should be held back-to-back or combined to facilitate coordination and to ensure the efficient use of resources.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The meeting may wish to recall that further to the Council Decision to organize the PIRGs and RASGs meetings on annual basis, the MIDANPIRG/19 & RASG-MID/9 as well as the MIDANPIRG/20 & RASG-MID/10 were conducted in a combined mode with plenary sessions and parallel tracks for the MIDANPIRG and RASG-MID.

2.2 The MIDANPIRG/20 & RASG-MID/10 meeting agreed to maintain the current arrangement for the conduct of MIDANPIRG and RASG meetings; and tasked the Secretariat to conduct a Survey and analyse the feedback in order to measure efficiency of the current arrangements. The results of the survey will be presented by the Secretariat to MIDANPIRG/21 and RASG-MID/11 meetings.

2.3 Accordingly, the Survey has been developed and disseminated to the MID States to gauge their satisfaction. The replies have been analysed by the Secretariat, as follows:

- 1- Eleven (11) MID States have replied to the Survey.
- 2- Ten (10) States have indicated their satisfaction with the current arrangement.
- 3- One (1) State suggests that having back-to-back arrangement.

2.4 In addition, the following are some comments and suggestions received from the States:

- 1- Support the current setup/format of the meeting is cost-effective achieving: sessions management, achieving regional cooperation and decision making with clear objectives and enhanced engagement and efficiency.
- 2- Improve the sharing of information and best practices.
- 3- Conduct workshops and/or other events during the meetings.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to agree on arrangement for the conduct of MIDANPIRG and RASG meetings.