



RASG-PA ESC/17

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REGIONAL AVIATION SAFETY GROUP – PAN AMERICA
(RASG-PA)**

**SEVENTEENTH RASG-PA EXECUTIVE STEERING
COMMITTEE MEETING
(RASG-PA ESC/17)**

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS

San Jose, Costa Rica

24 June 2013

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ESC/17 Meeting

Summary of discussions

Date	24 June 2013
Location	San Jose, Costa Rica
Meeting Opening	<p>The Meeting was attended by 27 participants from Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Jamaica, United States, ACI-LAC, Airbus, ALTA, Boeing, COCESNA, IATA, IFALPA and ICAO. See attachment.</p> <p>Mrs. Loretta Martin, Regional Director of the ICAO North American, Central American and Caribbean (NACC) Regional Office and RASG-PA Secretary, welcomed participants to the Meeting.</p> <p>Eng. Ana Cristina Jenkins, Costa Rica Vice-Minister of Air Transport, provided opening remarks and opened the Meeting.</p> <p>Messrs. Carlos Pellegrino, First Vice-Chairperson, assumed the RASG-PA/ESC Co-Chair/States role due to the delayed arrival of Mr. Oscar Derby and Alex de Gunten, Executive Director, ALTA and RASG-PA Co-Chairperson, representing Industry led the Meeting</p> <p>Mrs. Loretta Martin, RASG-PA Secretary, served as Secretary of the Meeting and was assisted by Messrs. Franklin Hoyer, Regional Director; Oscar Quesada, Deputy Regional Director, and Marcelo Ureña, Regional Officer, Flight Safety, from the ICAO SAM Regional Office; and Eduardo Chacin, Regional Officer, Flight Safety; Adolfo Zavala, Regional Officer, Air Traffic Management; and Julio Garriga, Regional Officer, Technical Cooperation Bureau, from the ICAO NACC Regional Office.</p>
Discussion Items	<p>Agenda Item 1: Review and approval of the RASG-PA ESC/17 Meeting Provisional Agenda</p> <p>1.1 Mr. Alex de Gunten, ALTA, chaired the Meeting in the morning session and Mr. Carlos Pellegrino, Brazil, chaired the afternoon session.</p> <p>1.2 The agenda was reviewed and approved with the addition of three items as listed in other business.</p> <p>Agenda Item 2: Review of RASG-PA/ESC/17 Working Papers</p> <p>2.1 Working Paper 2 (WP/2) Development of Metrics to Measure the Institutional Strengths of the Civil Aviation Authorities.</p> <p>2.1.1 Mr. Oscar Quesada, ICAO, presented WP/2. The Meeting discussed how the data would be publicized and where the results would fit in the structure and work programme of RASG-PA.</p>

2.1.2 The Meeting also discussed what variables should be used to obtain the results needed and the intended scope of the project.

2.1.3 Mr. Javier Vanegas, CANSO, offered the metrics developed by CANSO to be used as a reference by the Group.

2.1.4 The following States offered to work on this initiative: Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica and United States.

2.1.5 The Meeting gave tentative approval to proceed with the study and define the goals and objectives by the ESC/18 Meeting to be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in October 2013.

2.2 Working Paper 3 (WP/3) - Airbus Safety Support to ICAO PBN Regional Roadmap Deployment

2.2.1 Mr. David Zwegers, Airbus, presented WP/3 and introduced the Airbus plan to support Performance Based Navigation (PBN) development in the Pan American Region.

2.2.2 The Meeting noted that as this issue relates more closely to the GREPECAS scope of activities that Airbus consider coordinating a presentation at the upcoming PPRC Meeting in Lima, Peru.

2.2.3 Mr. Gerardo Hueto, Boeing, offered to coordinate this issue with Jeppessen.

2.3 Working Paper 4 (WP/4) - RASG-PA Strategic Plan for Communication - 2014 – 2016.

2.3.1 Mr. Carlos Pellegrino, Brazil, presented WP/4 on a proposed RASG-PA strategic plan for communication.

2.3.2 The Meeting discussed the WP and agreed that the intent of the plan was to provide a strategic plan for communicating the RASG-PA work programme and initiatives. The Meeting also agreed that the plan should be clear in its intent and not examine specific safety targets, which could undermine the work already assigned to PA-RAST for completion.

2.3.3 It was agreed that Brazil would continue developing the plan in accordance with the ESC review and then forwarded to PA-RAST for revision prior to resubmission to the ESC.

2.3.4 Several States and organizations agreed to assist with developing the plan. Among the volunteers were Chile, Costa Rica, ALTA (marketing when complete) and Boeing.

Agenda Item 3: Review of the RASG-PA/06 Annual Plenary Meeting Agenda and Working and Information Papers

3.1 The Meeting reviewed the RASG-PA/06 Annual Plenary Meeting agenda and working and information papers to be presented.

3.2 The Meeting made the following observations and comments on the working and information papers:

- WP/04 - Pan America - Regional Aviation Safety Team (PA-RAST)
 - IATA presented the ESC with a draft Controlled Flight Into Terrain (CFIT) Detailed Implementation Plan (DIP), which will be discussed at the PA-RAST/14.
- WP/07 - Legal Framework Seminar for the Protection of Safety Information Sources
 - The ESC agreed to close-out the RASG-PA GSI/3 Project and report progress of the scheduled seminars in the Aviation Safety Training Team (ASTT) report.
- WP/10 - Standardization of Spanish and English ATC Phraseology in accordance with the ICAO PANS-ATM (Doc 4444) Report
 - The ESC was briefed on the costs for completing the “Train the Trainer” course being developed by IATA.
 - Chile commented that it was very important to market this course to States and emphasize the importance.
- IP/03 - Bird Strike Reduction Programme
 - IATA briefed on the progress of the programme. They requested assistance from the ESC in selecting other airports in the CAR and SAM Regions to continue assistance.
 - Tentative locations would be Brazil and Colombia. Brazil volunteered an airport.

Agenda Item 4: Other Business

4.1 RASG-PA ESC Meeting Consensus Agreement

4.1.1 The ESC discussed the importance of reaching consensus prior to moving forward with conclusions or decisions.

4.1.2 The Meeting was in agreement that having a clear understanding prior to initiating or undertaking future projects or activities would enhance the RASG-PA work programme and encourage participation from all stakeholders.

4.1.3 Due to a conflict with the CAST InfoShare Meeting in United States, the ESC tentatively rescheduled the dates of the IAT/04 and PA-RAST/14 Meetings for 24-26 September 2013, at the ICAO SAM Regional Office.

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