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4.7 Communications, Navigation and Surveillance (CNS) Infrastructure as Enablers of Operational Improvements

COMMUNICATIONS, NAVIGATION, SURVEILLANCE (CNS) AND AUTOMATION AS TECHNICAL ENABLERS OF THE NAM/CAR REGIONS PERFORMANCE AND OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS

(Presented by the Secretariat)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	
This working paper informs on the role performed by CNS, automation elements related to NAM/CAR regional priorities, and operational improvements foreseen by the NAM/CAR Regional Performance Based Air Navigation Implementation Plan (NAM/CAR RPBANIP).	
Action:	The suggested action is presented in Section 3
<i>Strategic Objectives:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safety• Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency• Environmental Protection
<i>References:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regional Performance-based Air navigation Implementation Plan (NAM/CAR RPBANIP) version 3.0 dated 04 November 2013, version 3.0• First Eastern Caribbean Civil Aviation Technical Group Meeting (E/CAR/CATG/1), Martinique, French Antilles, 19 to 21 June 2013• <i>Global Air Navigation Plan (GANP)</i> - Doc 9750• First NAM/CAR Air Navigation Implementation Working Group Meeting (ANI/WG/1), Mexico City, Mexico, 29 July to 1 August 2013

1. Considerations

1.1 The implementation of air navigation Services/ Systems in the NAM/CAR Regions is performance-based as established in the RPBANIP. The CNS related implementation elements are known as the technical enablers of the Air Traffic Management (ATM) operational concept. They are technologies that meet the properties required to implement the element and realistically can become operational during the estimated time frame.

1.2 The fourth edition of the GANP was developed by ICAO to support a globally harmonized incremental air navigation system providing clear guidance on the operational targets and supporting technologies, avionics, procedures, standards and regulatory approvals needed to realize them. This is accomplished through the Aviation System Block Upgrade (ASBU) methodology, which forms the basis of the revised GANP. The ASBU modules are supplemented by CNS, avionics, and information management roadmaps. The CNS roadmaps are located in the **Appendix** to this working paper for reference.

2. Communications, Navigation, Surveillance and Automation elements in the RPBANIP

2.1 Two Regional Performance Objectives (RPOs) in the RPBANIP encompass the CNS and automation elements of air navigation implementation:

- RPO 4. Improve Situational Awareness
- RPO 6. Optimization and Modernization of Communication Infrastructure

2.2 However, other CNS and automated elements are included in the different RPOs considering the development of the appropriate infrastructure and systems for the operational implementation; such are the cases for the *Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) Manual - Doc 9849* in support of the Performance-based Navigation (PBN) automation to support the exchange of aeronautical information and meteorological (MET) data.

2.3 Implementation of regional priorities is currently reflected in various regional implementation plans including:

- Aeronautical Message Handling System (AMHS) Implementation Plan
- Air Traffic Services Inter-Facility Data Communication (AIDC) Implementation Plan
- Automatic Dependent Surveillance - Broadcast(ADS-B) Action Plan
- Controller-Pilot Data Link Communication (CPDLC) Action Plan
- MEVA III Network Implementation Plan
- Radar Data Exchange Plans-E/CAR Region and Bilateral Agreements
- E/CAR Aeronautical Fixed Service (AFS) Network Improvement Plan
- Aeronautical Mobile Service (AMS) Communication Improvement Plans

2.4 All plans are available on the ICAO NACC e-documents webpage.

2.5 Similarly, the implementation tasks are being supported and coordinated by the NAM/CAR Air Navigation Implementation Working Group (NAM/CAR ANI/WG) through the GOLD, AIDC, ADS-B and AMHS Task Forces, as well as the sub-regional ad hoc groups like the MEVA Technical Management Group (MEVA TMG), the Eastern Caribbean Network Technical Group (E/CAR/NTG) and specific committees including the CNS Committee in the Eastern Caribbean Civil Aviation Technical Group (E/CAR/CATG). Information on the various implementation groups is available on the group's respective webpage on the ICAO NACC website.

2.6 In this regard, the current air navigation targets reflect the regional implementation plan progress and feasibility, as well as agreement by all involved parties to achieve the operational benefits and milestones.

3. **Suggested Actions**

3.1 The Meeting is invited to:

- a) take note of CNS and automation elements for air navigation implementation and regional priorities;
 - b) urge participation of their experts in the various working groups; and
 - c) recommend any other action as deemed necessary.
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APPENDIX / APÉNDICE
CNS Roadmaps / Hojas de Ruta CNS







