# International Civil Aviation Organization South American Regional Office Fifth Multilateral Meeting of the SAM Region for the Transition of AIS to AIM (SAM/AIM/5)

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**Agenda Item 5:** Other business

## EXCHANGE OF INTEGRATED AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION PACKAGE (IAIP) AMONG SAM REGION STATES

(Presented by Chile)

#### **SUMMARY**

The objective of this working paper is allowing for the exchange of the Integrated Aeronautical Information Package (IAIP) among SAM Region member States by using Internet instead of paper format.

#### **References:**

- Annex 15 Aeronautical Information Services
- ICAO Doc. 8126/AN/872.

ICAO Strategic Objectives:	A - Safety
	C - Environmental Protection

#### 1 Introduction

- 1.1 The object of the Aeronautical Information Service is to ensure the flow of data/information necessary for the safety, regularity and efficiency of international air navigation. The standards and recommended practices for the Aeronautical Information Services were adopted initially by the Council on May 15, 1953, pursuant to provisions of Article 37 of the Convention on International Civil Aviation (Chicago 1944), and were designated as Annex 15 to the Convention.
- 1.2 In this respect, **Recommendation** 3.3.5 of Annex 15 reads as follows: "One copy of each of the elements of the Integrated Aeronautical Information Package, in paper or electronic form or both, that have been requested by the aeronautical information service of an ICAO Contracting State shall be made available by the originating State in the mutually-agreed form(s), without charge, even where authority for publication/storage and distribution has been delegated to a commercial agency".
- 1.3 On the other hand, **Recommendation 3.3.6** says: "The exchange of more than one copy of the elements of the Integrated Aeronautical Information Package and other air navigation documents, including those containing air navigation legislation and regulations, whether in paper and/or electronic form, should be subject to bilateral agreement between ICAO Contracting States".

### 2 Subject

- 2.1 Annex 15 Chapter 4. "Aeronautical Information Publications" Paragraph 4.6, Electronic AIP (eAIP), **Recommendation 4.6.1** says: "The AIP, AIP amendment, AIP Supplement and AIC should also be published in a format that allows for displaying on a computer screen and printing on paper".
- 2.2 On the other hand **Recommendation 4.6.2** states: "When provided, the information content of the eAIP and the structure of chapters, sections and sub-sections shall follow the content and structure of the paper AIP. The eAIP shall include files that allow for printing a paper AIP".
- 2.3 In addition "When provided, the eAIP should be available on a physical distribution medium (CD, DVD, etc.) and/or online on the Internet".

#### **3** Conclusion

- 3.1 Paragraph 2.3 above, concerning the two physical distribution media (CD, DVD) implies that it is necessary to have an annual budget for its preparation and production which also entails a distribution cost. This is the moment for the meeting to consider Internet as the electronic means of exchange of aeronautical information among SAM Region States, since the majority has a web site, thus allowing to:
  - a) Obtain updated data/information in real time;
  - b) Reduce the number of paper format publications;
  - c) Contribute to environment protection by reducing the use of paper.
- 3.2 Notwithstanding paragraph 3.1, it is requested to maintain the exchange of at least one (1) copy in paper format with those States of the SAM Region that have not yet implemented the AIP, SUP AIP and AIC in digital format, awaiting that those who have not done it yet may materialize it as soon as possible.

#### 4. Suggested action:

4.1 The meeting is invited to note the information contained in the Conclusion of this working paper.