

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION
**Sixth Meeting of the APIRG Airspace and Aerodrome Operations Sub-Group
(AAO/SG6)
4 - 8 September 2023**
**Agenda Item 2: Status of the implementation of conclusions and decisions of the
AAO/SG5 Meeting and APIRG/25 Meeting applicable to the Sub-
group**
Conclusions and Decisions of the APIRG/25 Meeting applicable to the AAO/SG

(Presented by Secretariat)

SUMMARY
This paper highlights the current status of the APIRG/25 conclusions and decisions that are applicable to the AAO/SG.
Action by the meeting is on paragraph 3
REFERENCE(S): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - APIRG 25 report - APIRG Procedural Handbook
Related ICAO Strategic Objective(s): A – Safety, B – Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Twenty fifth meeting of the AFI Planning Implementation Regional Group (APIRG/25) and the Eighth Meeting of the AFI Regional Aviation Safety Group (RASG-AFI/8) meetings were held back-to-back from 7 to 11 November 2022 in Kigali Rwanda. The AAO/SG5 meeting was held virtually from 23 to 26 August 2022. The APIRG/25 adopted twenty-one (21) conclusions and twenty-five (25) decisions.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The APIRG/ 25 meeting considered the report of the AAO/SG5 meeting and adopted all the nine conclusions and four decisions from the AAO/SG5.

2.2 The meeting is required to review the Status of implementation of the conclusions and decisions and take action based on the continued validity or relevance of the conclusion and decisions if any, indicate the ones that have been overtaken by events or need to be adopted in procedures or manuals and the ones that need to continuity of monitoring to be highlighted for

further action by the subgroup.

2.3 The meeting will note that reporting on status of implementation is a challenge and the need for States and Organizations to do so is highly encouraged. The list of Draft conclusions adopted by APIRG/25 and the Status is attached to this paper as appendix A.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) Note the information provided in this paper.
 - b) States and Organizations to submit status of implementation and initiate implementation of pending activities.
 - c) Provide any other information to foster the implementation of the conclusions and decisions as appropriate.
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Appendix A: Conclusions and Decisions of the AAO/SG5

Draft Conclusion/Decision	Draft Text	Status
Draft Conclusion 5/01: Adoption of the ASBU Elements applicable to airspace and aerodrome operations in the AFI Region	That, in order to align the AFI Regional air navigation plan to the sixth edition of the GANP, the ASBU elements, as identified in Appendices 3 and 4 to this report, are applicable to airspace and aerodrome operations in the AFI region.	Actioned
Draft Conclusion 5/02: Data collection and reporting on ASBU implementation.	That in order to update the status of implementation of ASBU elements through continuous reporting and data-driven analysis in the Region: a).States to use the data collection template, as presented in Appendix 5 of this report, and report to ICAO Regional Offices quarterly on the status of implementation of ASBU elements until the online platform is completed. b). States to migrate to the online platform for data collection and reporting when the platform is completed	Few States reporting. Online platform under developments
Draft Conclusion 5/03: Review and implementation of the AFI ATM Contingency Plan (AFI ATM CP)	That, to facilitate the implementation of the AFI ATM CP, the revised membership and the Third edition of the AFI ATM Contingency Plan in Appendices 8 and 9 to this report are endorsed.	Membership revised. Third edition of AFI ATM Contingency plan endorsed.
Draft Decision 5/04: Effectiveness of the AFI ATM Contingency Plan (AFI ATM CP)	That, to test the effectiveness of the AFI ATM CP, a tabletop exercise should be conducted by the AFI Contingency Coordination Team (CCT) by 31 March 2023.	AFI ATM CP Table top exercise conducted in Nairobi Kenya on
Draft Conclusion 5/05: Implementation of the AFI Free Route Airspace (AFI FRA)	That to standardize FRA Implementation in the AFI Region: The AFI FRA CONOPS 2nd edition,	AFI FRA CONOPS 2 nd Edition endorsed



	<p>which introduces the standardized FRA publication template as in Appendix 10 to this report, is endorsed.</p> <p>States that have implemented FRA are encouraged to share lessons learned.</p>	
<p>Draft Conclusion 5/06: Improved safety in the AFI RVSM Airspace.</p>	<p>That to enhance continued RVSM System safety within the AFI Region:</p> <p>a).States to conduct awareness to ATC and Pilots on the risk of allocating FL420;</p> <p>b) States to report the use of FL420 by pilots and ATC to ARMA as part of RVSM data; and</p> <p>c).ARMA to conduct annual workshops for the RVSM National Project Managers (NPM)</p>	<p>a) Awareness sensitization ongoing by ICAO and ARMA.</p> <p>b). States/ARMA</p> <p>c). ARMA</p>
<p>Draft Conclusion 5/07: Nomination of State RVSM Subject Matter Focal Points</p>	<p>That, to improve coordination with ARMA, the Secretariat to coordinate with States for submission of the RVSM National Project Manager (NPM) and alternate subject matter Focal Points by December 2022</p>	<p>RVSM NPM list available. States to update when necessary</p>
<p>Draft Conclusion 5/08: Report on the implementation of the AFI SSR CMP</p>	<p>That, to conclude the implementation of the AFI SSR Code Management Plan (AFI SSR CMP), the implementation report of the ASCAAR Project in Appendix 11 to this report is endorsed.</p>	<p>ASCAAR Project endorsed</p>
<p>Draft Conclusion 5/09: Report on the ATS Competency Study</p>	<p>That, to conclude the Study on ATS Competency in the AFI region:</p> <p>a). The report in Appendix 12 is endorsed, and the project concluded; and</p> <p>b). States to implement the recommendations of the Study.</p>	<p>a). ATS Competency Study endorsed.</p> <p>b).States to report implementation of Study</p>
<p>Draft Decision 5/10: Civil/Military Cooperation</p>	<p>That, to continue the promotion of civil military cooperation, the Secretariat to organize two workshops/seminars by the end of 2023.</p>	<p>Civil Military Coordination workshop held in Zambia on</p>
<p>Draft Conclusion 5/11: AFI ATM Summit 2024</p>	<p>That, to implement a harmonized, interoperable and seamless Air Traffic Management (ATM) systems that support ‘Africa Single Sky’ Secretariat to coordinate the hosting of the AFI ATM Summit by end of 2024.</p>	<p>Plan to host summit to be agreed in the AAO/SG6 meeting</p>
<p>Draft Conclusion 5/12: Development of the AFI</p>	<p>That in order to conclude the development of Volume III of the AFI</p>	



eANP Volume III	eANP, a). The Secretariat, in coordination with the IIM Subgroup Project Teams, to finalize the draft AFI eANP Volume III and circulate it for review by States by 30 November 2022; b). States to review the draft Volume III of the AFI eANP and provide the Secretariat with their feedback by 30 December 2022.	e ANP Vol III developed Feedback from States awaited
Draft Decision 5/13: Work Programme of the AAO/SG for 2022/2023	That, to achieve the AAO/SG’s assigned objectives, the work programme of the AAO/SG is endorsed as attached in Appendix 15.	Work programme endorsed. Two activities rescheduled to be completed before end of year