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SEVENTH MEETING OF THE METEOROLOGY SUB GROUP (METSG/7)

(Dakar, 11 – 13 April 2005)

Agenda Item 8: Review of Regional Meteorological Procedures in AFI ANP/FASID

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents a review of the AFI regional meteorological procedures with a view to aligning them to Annex 3 provisions which have been subject to substantial changes over the last few years.

Ref.: Annex 3

AFI ANP/FASID

1. **Introduction**

1.1 The MET procedures included in the AFI ANP/FASID need to be reviewed and aligned to Annex 3 provisions. These procedures used to be thoroughly revised and updated by Regional Air Navigation (RAN) meetings which were held at a rhythm of every 8 to 10 years. The last AFI RAN meeting (AFI/7) was held in Abuja, Nigeria in May 1997, therefore the necessary amendments were carried out by the AFI MET/SG of the APIRG, relevant conclusions of APIRG/12 (1999) APIRG/13 (2001) and APIRG/14 (2003) refer.

2. **Discussions**

2.1 The regional procedures contained in the AFI ANP/FASID should be updated and fully aligned to Annex 3 provisions. This will avoid the risk of the regional plans to become increasingly outdated and less relevant for aviation users. The review should be an on-going process, therefore the MET/SG should include a routine item in its agenda on this subject.

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2.2 A comprehensive review of regional procedures relating to Annex 3 provisions including Amendment 73, is proposed at attachment A to this paper. In fact it is assumed that no issue in ANP/FASID where RAN agreement is called for in Annex 3 is omitted.

Conclusion: Meteorological Regional Procedures

That the Meteorological Regional Procedures given at Appendix A to the report replace the existing regional procedures of the AFI ANP/FASID (Doc 7474).

- 3. **Action by the MET/SG**
- 3.1 The MET/SG is invited to:
 - a) review the meteorological regional procedures;
 - b) adopt them for submission to the AIRG for approval and replacement of the existing regional procedures of the AFI ANP/FASID (Doc.7474).
