

Agenda Item : 2

**REVIEW OF COUNCIL AND ANC ACTIONS
ON THE REPORT OF THE TWELFTH MEETING OF THE AFI PLANNING AND
IMPLEMENTATION REGIONAL GROUP (APIRG)**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents the Council and Air Navigation Commission actions on the report of the Twelfth Meeting of the AFI Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APIRG).

Action by the APIRG is proposed at paragraph 5.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Following each APIRG meeting, the report of the meeting is reviewed by ICAO's Air Navigation Commission (ANC) and subsequently by the ICAO Council. During this review, the ANC and Council note the report, make comments thereon and provide guidance to the APIRG as appropriate. Furthermore, the ANC and the Council may take specific action on certain conclusions contained in the report, since the follow-up to some conclusions may require approval by the ANC or Council.

1.2 Follow-up actions by the ICAO Secretariat on APIRG conclusions and decisions are then guided by the outcome of the ANC and Council actions described above.

1.3 This paper informs the APIRG of the results of ANC and Council actions on the report of the APIRG/12 Meeting, which was held in Tunis from 21 to 25 June 1999.

2. ACTION BY THE ANC ON THE APIRG/12 REPORT

2.1 The ANC referred the APIRG/12 Report to its Working Group on Regional Plans for detailed review. This detailed review was done on 28 October 1999, following which the ANC itself reviewed the APIRG/12 Report on 23 November 1999.

2.2 The ANC noted the APIRG/12 Report and took specific action on certain conclusions therein, as shown in the appendix to this paper. The following are the highlights of the ANC's review:

- a) the ANC noted with appreciation that the APIRG/12 Report contained important conclusions, arising mainly from the work of APIRG contributory bodies which had examined the air navigation matters of the AFI Region with the aim of improving the planning of air navigation facilities, services and procedures in the region, as well as fostering their implementation. It was noted that the APIRG/12 Report was well structured and refined and attested to the good work carried out by APIRG;

- b) with regards to the carriage and operation of pressure altitude reporting transponders and ACAS II, the Commission noted the conclusion and requested the APIRG to render it high priority;
- c) in relation to dissemination of AIS products, the ANC observed that a similar approach was proposed by APIRG Conclusion 10/21 concerning WAFS products and OPMET data. The ANC, as a result, requested the Secretary General to consider developing a uniform policy for the use of the Internet as an alternate or interim means of disseminating aeronautical and other information;
- d) the ANC noted the decision on the collection and dissemination of AIS information on SADIS and that the result of the study will be coordinated with other ICAO regions;
- e) the APIRG solution proposed in relation to the year 2000 computer problem was noted.

3. ACTION BY THE COUNCIL ON THE APIRG/12 REPORT

3.1 Following the ANC action, the Council noted the APIRG/12 Report on 9 December 1999 on the basis of the ANC report, and took specific actions on certain conclusions therein, as shown in the appendix to this paper. The following are the highlights of the Council's review:

- a) with regard to the publication of ACAS II regulations the Council noted the conclusion and urged States to render it high priority;
- b) the Council noted the Conclusion 12/21 (Reporting and investigation of ATS incidents) and urged States to follow it up actively to improve the quality of ATS in the region;
- c) with regards to Conclusion 12/22 (ATC refresher courses) the Council noted the conclusion and urged States to follow it up actively to improve the quality of ATS in the region;
- d) with respect to the completion of the draft AFI Basic ANP and FASID documents, the Council noted the conclusion and requested the Secretary General to arrange for completion and publication of the documents as a matter of priority;
- e) the Council noted Conclusion 12/53 (Development of a new part for the Basic ANP and FASID documents dealing with human factors and manpower training) and this matter would be addressed in the context of ANC Task No. PEL-9601.

4. FOLLOW-UP ACTION BY THE SECRETARIAT ON THE APIRG/12 REPORT.

4.1 The Secretariat's report on follow-up actions on the APIRG/12 Report will be presented to APIRG/13 in separate paper(s).

5. **ACTION BY THE APIRG**

5.1 The APIRG is invited to note the ANC and Council's actions on the APIRG/12 Report as outlined in this paper and its appendix.

APPENDIX

APIRG CONCLUSIONS/DECISIONS CONSIDERED FOR SPECIFIC ACTION
BY THE AIR NAVIGATION COMMISSION AND/OR COUNCIL

| Report Reference | | Action by Council/ANC | Proposed Action |
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| Concl./Dec. No. | Page | | |
| Decision 12/1 | 3-2 | ANC | <p>Carriage and operation of pressure altitude reporting transponders and ACAS II</p> <p>Noted the conclusion and requested the APIRG to render it high priority.</p> |
| 12/2 | 3-2 | ANC | <p>Publication of ACAS II regulations</p> <p>Noted the conclusion and urged States to render it high priority.</p> |
| 12/5 | 4-2 | C | <p>Implementation of visual aids</p> <p>Noted the conclusion as well as its relation with the AFI/7 Recommendation 14/3 and requested the Secretary General to continue to assist AFI States for the resolution of resource problems.</p> |
| 12/6 | 4-3 | C | <p>Aerodrome emergency planning</p> <p>Noted the conclusion and requested the Secretary General to accord high priority to ICAO's role in parts d) and e) of the recommendation.</p> |
| 12/8, 12/9, 12/11, 12/12, 12/13, 12/15, 12/16 and 12/17 | 4-5 to 4-10 | C | <p>Conclusions related to improvement of aeronautical fixed and mobile communications services</p> <p>Noted the conclusions, urged States concerned to follow them up with utmost effort and requested the APIRG to report the result of States' follow-up.</p> |

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| Conclusion 12/10 | 4-6 | C | VSAT networks interconnection Noted the conclusion and requested the Secretary General to bring it to the attention of ASECNA and South Africa. |
| 12/19 | 4-11 | C | Implementation of ATS routes Noted the conclusion and, with regard to part b), requested the Secretary General to assist States as necessary. |
| 12/20 | 4-11 | C | Provision of area control service Noted the conclusion and urged States to expedite the implementation of area control service in view of its effect on safety. |
| 12/21 | 4-12 | C | Reporting and investigation of ATS incidents Noted the conclusion and urged States to follow it up actively to improve the quality of ATS in the region. |
| 12/22 | 4-12 | C | ATC refresher courses Noted the conclusion and urged States to follow it up actively to improve the quality of ATS in the region. |
| 12/23 | 4-12 | C | Uniform application of ATS proficiency assessment and standard auditing procedures Noted the conclusion and urged States to follow it up actively to improve the quality of ATS in the region. |
| 12/27 | 4-15 | ANC | Dissemination of AIS products a) Noted the conclusion and its relation to APANPIRG Conclusion 10/21 concerning WAFS products and OPMET data; b) emphasized the need that States improve their AFTN; and c) requested the Secretariat to propose, under ANC Task No. AIS-9806, a policy for the use of the internet as an alternative or interim means of disseminating aeronautical and other information. |

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| 12/30 | 4-15 | C | <p>Provision of search and rescue services</p> <p>Noted the conclusion and urged States to increase their efforts for the implementation of SAR services.</p> |
| Decision 12/37 | 4-17 | ANC | <p>Collection/dissemination of AIS information on SADIS</p> <p>Noted the decision and that the result of the study will be coordinated with other ICAO Regions.</p> |
| 12/38 | 4-18 | C | <p>Technical and financial commitments to SADIS</p> <p>Noted the conclusion and that, as a follow-up to Council action on EANPG/40, Conclusion 40/29, the Secretary General had invited States receiving the SADIS broadcast not yet participating in the SADIS voluntary cost recovery scheme, to consider doing so.</p> |
| 12/41 | 4-19 | ANC | <p>Year 2000 (Y2K) computer problem</p> <p>Noted the solution proposed by the APIRG and that the Secretariat was taking it into account in relation with the ICAO action on the Y2K problem.</p> |
| 12/42 | 4-19 | C | <p>Cost recovery for aeronautical meteorological services provided to aviation</p> <p>Noted the conclusion and requested the Secretary General to bring it to the attention of States.</p> |
| 12/48 | 4-23 | C | <p>Funding arrangement for the AFI EGNOS test bed</p> <p>Noted the conclusion as well as its relation to AFI/7, Recommendation 13/4 and requested the Secretary General to keep AFI States informed about the results of the arrangement.</p> |
| 12/50 | 4-25 | C | <p>Alignment of the procedures for the amendment of the FASID</p> <p>Noted the conclusion and requested the Secretary General to present specific proposals on the subject.</p> |

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| 12/51 | 4-25 | C | <p>Completion of the draft AFI Basic ANP and FASID documents</p> <p>Noted the conclusion and requested the Secretary General to arrange for completion and publication of the documents as a matter of priority.</p> |
| 12/53 | 4-25 | ANC | <p>Development of a new part for the Basic ANP and FASID documents dealing with human factors and manpower training</p> <p>Noted the conclusion and that this matter would be addressed in the context of ANC Task No. PEL-9601.</p> |
| 12/56 | 5-1 | C | <p>Institutional strategies for addressing shortcomings in the air navigation field at airports in the AFI Region</p> <p>Noted the conclusion, urged States concerned to take it into active consideration and requested the Secretary General to report the result through APIRG.</p> |
| 12/57 | 5-1 | C | <p>Coordinated approach to solve persistent problems</p> <p>Noted the conclusion and requested the Secretary General to pursue it actively and report the result through APIRG.</p> |
| 12/58 | 5-1 | C | <p>Integrated sub-regional approach to the removal of shortcomings and deficiencies</p> <p>Noted the conclusion and requested the Secretary General to bring it to the attention of States and report the result through APIRG.</p> |
| 12/61 | 6-1 | C | <p>Membership of the APIRG</p> <p>Approved the conclusion.</p> |