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**AFI PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION REGIONAL GROUP
SIXTEENTH MEETING (APIRG/16)**

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Agenda Item 2: Follow-up on the outcome of APIRG/15

2.2: Review status of implementation of APIRG/15 Conclusions and Decisions

IMPLEMENTATION OF APIRG/15'S CONCLUSION 15/26 IN CAMEROON

(Presented by Cameroon)

Summary

The purpose of this working paper is to present the status of implementation of APIRG/15's conclusion 15/26 in Cameroon. It invites the APIRG/16 meeting to sensitise more AFI states on aeronautical spectrum of frequencies management issues.

1. Introduction

1.1 Within the framework of the implementation of APIRG/15's conclusion 15/26, Cameroon has designated a focal point of contact, attended many World Radiocommunications Conference 2007 of ITU (WRC-07) preparatory meetings as well as the WRC-07 meeting itself while supporting all ICAO positions related to various agenda items.

2. Focal point of contact

2.1 Cameroon has designated and conveyed to ICAO a focal point of contact related to ITU's issues. The said focal point of contact was charged by the Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority to draw nearer to the ministry in charge of telecommunications in order to follow more issues related to aeronautical spectrum of frequencies.

2.2 Rapprochement with the ministry in charge of telecommunications had given the opportunity to the Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority to be a member of the World Radiocommunications Conference 2007 of ITU (WRC-07) preparatory working group created for this purpose. Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority has since then attended all meetings of the said preparatory working group. That was how all agenda items of the WRC related to

aeronautical spectrum of frequencies was progressively handled to the Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority vigilance through the focal point of contact.

3. Meetings' participation

3.1 Taking into consideration the priority granted to tasks related to the protection and the availability of frequencies spectrum attributed to aeronautical services, Cameroon has formed a follow-up team which, with Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority experts, participated in WRC preparatory meetings organized by the ministry in charge of telecommunications, by African Telecommunications Union (ATU) and ITU-R. It's in this framework that, for the preparation of the WRC-07, Cameroon has participated in:

- 08 meetings organized by the ministry in charge of telecommunications
- 02 meetings organized by ATU in Yaoundé and Abuja,
- 02 Conference preparatory meetings (CPM) organized by ITU-R in Geneva.

3.2 The contribution of the Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority in all Cameroon's delegation permitted to exhibit and appropriate ICAO position related to WRC-07 agenda items so that it was integrated into the Cameroon national's contribution to WRC-07. That integration of ICAO position has been supported by Cameroon's delegation at the level of ATU WRC-07 preparatory meetings. This led to the elaboration of an African common proposals integrating ICAO position with an active participation of Cameroon.

3.3 Cameroon participated to the World Radiocommunications Conference 2007 of ITU (WRC-07) held in Geneva from 22nd of October to 16th November 2007 with Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority expert in its delegation who was the focal point of contact. Taking into consideration of the diversity of items in the agenda of the WRC-07, Cameroon's delegation in its strategy to cover all agenda items, handled the follow-up of items related to aviation to members from this sector.

4. Support of ICAO position

4.1 The presence of member from aeronautical sector facilitated the taking into consideration related ICAO position at the level of the WRC-07, notably the implementation of resolutions 747 (WRC-03), 230 (WRC-03), 414 (WRC-03) and 415 (WRC-03).

4.2 In this regard, the implementation of the resolution 415 (WRC-03) which was introduced and supported mainly by the African common proposals with the adoption of the Recommendation [AERO-VSAT] (WRC-07) illustrate the necessity of the attendance of the civil aviation administration members in the preparatory meetings of WRCs with a highly support of ICAO's Regional Offices.

5. Action Required

5.1 In the light of what is above mentioned, the APIRG/1 meeting is invited to :

- a) Take note of information contained in this working paper ;
- b) Stress on sensitisation of AFI states to provide ICAO with their focal point of contact ;
- c) Invite civil aviation administrations to integrate the WRC preparatory groups within the ministry in charge of telecommunications in their states;

- d)** Recommend more active participation of ICAO Regional Offices in AFI region for the sensitisation of states on issues related to aeronautical frequencies spectrum and notably the preparation of the WRCs.