



INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

**AFI PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION REGIONAL GROUP
EIGHTEENTH MEETING (APIRG/18)
Kampala, Uganda (27 – 30 March 2012)**

Agenda Item 3: Performance Framework for Regional Air Navigation Planning and Implementation
3.7: Other Air Navigation Matters

AVIATION SYSTEM BLOCK UPGRADES

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents information related to the Aviation System Block Upgrades and outcomes from the Global Air Navigation Industry Symposium, held in Montréal, from 20 to 23 September 2011.

Action by APIRG/18 is at paragraph 3.

Related ICAO Strategic Objective(s): A (Safety), C (Environmental Protection and Sustainable development of Air Transport)

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 ICAO hosted the Global Air Navigation Industry Symposium from 20 to 23 September 2011. The event was considered a great success, with over 500 participants from industry, States and international organizations in attendance.

1.2 The Aviation System Block Upgrades (ASBUs) are the primary subject of the Twelfth Air Navigation Conference, which will be held from 19 to 30 November 2012. The Symposium was held as a platform to enable industry to provide feedback relating to the ASBU concept, prior to the Conference.

1.3 During the Symposium, the GANIS Working Document (now renamed “ASBU Working Document”), which contains detailed explanations of the Block Upgrades concept and its components, was unveiled to industry and posted on the ICAO website for comments.

2. AVIATION SYSTEM BLOCK UPGRADES (ASBU)

2.1 The Aviation System Block upgrades concept will be included into the revision of the Global Air Navigation Plan (GANP) and presented to the Twelfth Air Navigation Conference. The latest

version of the ASBU Working Document, containing the detailed explanations of the blocks, can be found at the ICAO website at: www.icao.int/anconf12/asbu

3. **ACTION BY APIRG/18**

3.1 The Meeting is invited to:

- a) note the developments related to ASBU provided in this working paper.

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