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Agenda Item 7: Regional strategies for the implementation of CNS/ATM systems

Review of target dates to harmonize implementation dates between CNS and ATS requirements allowing for timeous project completion

(Presented by ATNS – South Africa)

SUMMARY

This paper requests the meeting to review those targets dates already set and to set target dates for future activities, with a view to co-ordinate implementation of CNS requirements with those target dates set for the implementation of ATS procedures.

Action by the Sub Group.

References: ATS/AIS/SAR/SG/9

CNS/SG/1

1. Introduction

1.1 At times target dates are set by various meetings relating to CNS or ATS activities, without taking target dates set by the other meeting into consideration with regard to implementation.

2. Discussions

2.1 The implementation of target dates by either workgroup, in isolation, may impact on the implementation plans of the other group, resulting in delays occurring with the finalization of projects. This disparity in the finalization of CNS requirements without taking into account, for example the implementation of RVSM could result in the target date for RVSM, when this is finalized being shifted due to unavailability of CNS resources. Further more, the implementation of CNS equipment such as ATS/DS is one of the requirements to implement RVSM and note should be taken of the requirements of the State National Safety Plans regarding equipment requirements.

3. Action Required

- .1 The Meeting is invited to:
- a) Note the possibility of determining target dates which do not coincide with the dates already set by another work group relating to implementation activities affecting both ATS and CNS.
- b) Consider the setting of target dates which compliment ATS activities together with reviewing dates already set in order to compliment ATS activities.
