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**AFI OPMET MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE
SECOND MEETING OF THE TASK FORCE**

South Africa, Johannesburg, 6–9 September 2010

Agenda Item 2d

OPMET DATA CATALOGUE(S)

(Presented by South Africa)

<p>Summary</p> <p>The paper present the actions taken by Pretoria RODB regarding the updating of OPMET Data catalogues</p>
<p>REFERENCES</p> <p>AMBEX Handbook seventh edition amendment 1 March2010 AFI Basic Air Navigation (Doc 7474)</p>
<p>ACTION</p> <p>The action by the meeting is at paragraph 4</p>

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The meeting may wish to note that the OPMET Database catalogues consists of the list of OPMET products required to be available in the AFI Regional OPMET Databanks. Furthermore, the meeting may wish to note that it is the responsibility of the RODB to maintain the catalogues and to provide the facility for request reply service.

2. **DISCUSSION**

2.1 The meeting is invited to note that the station and bulletin catalogues for the Pretoria RODB have been placed on the internet server and registered users can access them via the links provided on the aviation website under the RQM Tab. The catalogues are in the process of been updated, as required by the AMBEX Handbook, to align them with the requirements of the AFI ANP FASID Tables (MET 1A and MET 2A). It can be recalled that in accordance with the AMBEX Scheme, the two AFI RODBs are required to ensure the exchange of OPMET data with other ICAO regions and to act as backup to each other with the later requiring the catalogues for both RODB to be identical.

2.2 Furthermore, the meeting may recall that the AMBEX Handbook has made provision for the RODBs to make the internet facility available for accessing OPMET data. The Pretoria RODB has made the internet based “request reply” service available to registered users and can be accessed using the URL: <http://aviation.weathersa.co.za>. Users can query the bulletins by typing on the RQM query bar the syntax as described in the AMBEX Handbook or by following guidelines under the help button.

3. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1 The two catalogues Dakar and Pretoria to be identical

3.2 The two AFI RODB to work together on the updating of catalogues

4. **ACTION BY THE MEETING**

4.1 The meeting is invited to discuss and approve the proposed recommendations 3.1 and 3.2
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