



**EXPLANATORY NOTES ON THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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- Agenda Item 1: Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Sub-Group**  
The Task Force will elect its Chairman and Vice-Chairman.
- Agenda Item 2: Review of MTF/3 Recommendations, MET/SG/10 and APIRG/18 Conclusions and Decisions related to OPMET**  
A review will be carried out on actions taken and progress made on the recommendations of AFI OPMET MTF/3 meeting and related conclusions and decisions of the MET/SG and APIRG.
- Agenda Item 3: Provision of tropical cyclone and volcanic ash advisories for the AFI Region and of the corresponding SIGMET by MWOs and Review of report on SIGMET Tests Conducted in November 2011**  
The meeting will review the provision of these advisories for the AFI Region and will review the AFI SIGMET test results. The meeting will also review the IAVWOPSG/6 report
- Agenda Item 4: Review of regional guidance material on OPMET exchange**  
The following regional guidance material on OPMET exchange will be reviewed and updated:  
a) AFI Regional SIGMET Guide  
b) AMBEX Handbook including AMBEX Implementation Status Report by AFI RODBs  
c) AFI ICD  
d) OPMET related FASID Tables
- Agenda Item 5: Future Developments with regards to OPMET information**  
The meeting will be briefed on the Aviation System Block Upgrades (ASBU) related OPMET information. Information concerning plans for the introduction of XML/GML for METAR/SPECI, TAF and SIGMET as part of draft Amendment 76 to Annex 3 will be provided to the task Force.
- Agenda Item 6: Terms of reference, work programme and composition of the AFI OPMET MTF**  
The meeting will update the OPMET MTF work programme taking in consideration new developments at ICAO vis a vis the business planning and the composition of the MTF.
- Agenda Item 7: Any other business**  
The meeting will discuss on any technical matter not contained in the above agenda items and being of an urgent nature.