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Point 4 of the agenda: Aeronautical Fixed Service (AFS)

Communications between Alger and ASECNA area

(Working paper presented by ASECNA and Algeria)

SUMMARY

The present Working Paper gives a progress report on the implementation of the Aeronautical Fixed Service circuit between Alger and ASECNA area.

I - Introduction:

According to the APIRG/12 Conclusion 12/8, the installation of an earth station plug to plug compatible with AFISNET in Alger, will allow to eliminate the shortcomings and deficiencies of the following AFS links summarised in the table below.

Services	Short- term links	Planned links
AFTN	✓ Alger / Niamey ✓	✓ Alger / Brazzaville ✓ Alger / Johannesburg
ATS/DS	✓ Alger / Niamey ✓ Alger / Dakar ✓ Alger / N'djamena	
Data communications		✓ Alger / Dakar ✓ Alger / Niamey ✓ Alger / N'djamena

During the last meeting between ENNA (Algerian Organization, providing of Air Navigation services) and ASECNA held in Dakar in September 2002; the Algerian delegation communicated the following deadline for the Alger VSAT terminal implementation.

- **31st December, 2002:** Installation and commissioning

Furthermore, it should be noted that the French Civil Aviation Authority, is going to implement in the first quarter of 2003, an AFISNET earth station in Aix. Consequently, the following links will be established according to AFI/7 Recommendation 9/2:

- **AFTN link:** Alger /Bordeaux (via Aix)
- **ATS/DS link:** Alger / Aix
- **Data communications:** Alger/Aix

III - CONCLUSION

The meeting is invited to:

- Note the information relating to the installation of the plug to plug compatible VSAT terminal with AFISNET in Alger
- Take into account the installation of an AFISNET VSAT terminal in Aix (FRANCE) in the first quarter of 2003.