FIRST MEETING OF SAT/14/TASK FORCE SAT/14/TF1

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Agenda Item 5: Improvement of the airspace structure in the EUR/SAM Corridor

Air Traffic statistics of the EUR-SAM Corridor during 2008 (comparative 2007-2008) and Air Traffic evolution since 2004

(Presented by SATMA)

SUMMARY

This paper presents to the different SAT States the figures of the Air Traffic flying along the EUR-SAM Corridor during year 2008 as well as the evolution of these figures since 2004.

1. INTRODUCTION

One of the main tasks of the SATMA, South Atlantic Monitoring Agency, is the collection and elaboration of the statistical data of the air traffic movements along the EUR/SAM Corridor. The importance of this data has been strongly highlighted in previous SAT meetings as the main base to take preventive actions in line with the evolution of these figures.

Once presented in the SAT14/TF1, the air traffic movements statistical data of the EUR/AM Corridor will be available after the SAT14/TF1 Meeting in www.satmasat.com.

2. DISCUSSION

The Air Traffic figures during 2008 shows a global increase of 5%, however this 5% of increase is clearly influenced by a huge increase during January and February; since September a reduction of the air traffic movements is detected and this reduction is constantly increasing.

Only two ATS routes shows a positive increase, UN866 (27%) and UN857 (19%). UN873 is still the most congested route. The traffic distribution in the two unidirectional routes UN741 and UN866 is very similar, 24% and 23% respectively.

The evolution of the air traffic figures for the period 2.004- 2.008 shows an important increase of 31,8% with a daily traffic average of 73 movements during 2.004 until 96 movements during 2008.

(see WP: Analysis of the air traffic evolution in the EUR-SAM Corridor during the global crisis).

3. **ACTION BY THE MEETING**

The SAT14/TF1 Meeting is invited to analyze and comment these figures and evaluate the situation with a possible reduction on the traffic demand for 2009.
