



**INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION
WESTERN AND CENTRAL AFRICAN OFFICE**

**SEVENTEENTH MEETING OF AFI SATELLITE NETWORK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
(SNMC/17)
(Monrovia, Liberia, 23-25 June 2009,)**

Agenda Item 9: Special AFIRAN meeting Recommendation 6/19

Presented by Secretariat

SUMMARY

This working paper discusses Recommendation 6/19 of Special AFIRAN meeting and its effect on SNMC

1. Introduction

1.1 The meeting's attention is drawn to Recommendation 6/19 of the Special AFIRAN meeting Durban, South Africa, 24-29 November 2008 which States:

Recommendation 6/19: Planning, implementation and operation of very small aperture terminal (VSAT) networks in the AFI Region

That all entities involved with planning, implementation and operation of VSAT networks in the AFI Region hold regular joint meetings under the auspices of ICAO regional offices for the purpose of harmonization and eventual realization of a seamless AFI communication network supporting all present and future CNS systems.

2. Discussion

2.1 The SNMC does all the job functions in the above Recommendation. SNMC meetings are held under the auspices of ICAO. Hence there is no need for AFISNET to form a new body to perform this recommendation. This will save on logistics cost and time. However, consideration should be given to extending invitation to service providers for the AFISNET network to participation in SNMC meetings

3. Action to be taken by the Meeting

- a) The meeting to take note of the above information and
- b) To include recommendation 6/19 as part of the terms of reference for SNMC
