



## INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

### Sixth Meeting of the Africa-Indian Ocean Planning and Implementation Regional Group Projects Coordination Committee (APCC/6) (Virtual, 11 October 2021)

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#### Agenda Item 5: Development of the APIRG Annual Air Navigation Report

*(Presented by the Secretariat)*

SUMMARY
<p>This working paper provides an update on the development of the first APIRG Air Navigation Report. It discusses the challenges encountered since APIRG/23 and ways of improving effectiveness of APIRG Air Navigation Reporting.</p>
<p><b>Action by the APCC is contained in Paragraph 3.</b></p>
<p><b>Reference(s):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ICAO Global Air Navigation Plan (GANP, Doc 9750)</li> <li>• AFI Air Navigation Plan (Doc 7474)</li> <li>• APIRG/23 Report</li> </ul>
<p><b>Related ICAO Strategic Objective(s): A, B, C and E</b></p>

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 APIRG/23 recalled the need to develop and publish the APIRG Annual Air Navigation Report by the Annual Air Navigation Reporting Team (AANRT) based on available information, and invited States and Organizations wishing to provide their contributions to submit them to the Secretariat by 31 December 2020.
- 1.2 The Annual Air Navigation Reporting Team (AANRT) is comprised of members from States, ANSPs and International Organizations, supported by the Chairperson and Vice-chair person of APIRG and the ICAO Secretariat. The team was encouraged to endeavor to develop and release the first Report by 31 March 2021.

#### 2. DISCUSSION

- 2.1 The challenges experienced in 2020/2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, affected many activities at including activities related to the development and release of the AFI annual Air Navigation Report. Indeed, the effects the pandemic affected among others the collection of accurate and timely data required to complete the drafting of the AFI Air Navigation Report and convening of meetings to consolidate the information. The urgency for States/ANSPs to restart operations from the impact of the pandemic shifted the focus to activities related to enhance recovery.

2.2 The secretariat received limited contributions from States /ANSPs and Organizations despite the advocacy and campaign to secure data and information on several initiatives undertaken. In addition, TAG and AIAG activities slowed down due to the pandemic and other challenges associated with ensuring confidentiality of data shared using virtual tools for meetings reduced the enthusiasm to convene the important events.

### **3 ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) Note the information contained in the WP; and
- b) Encourage States, ANSPs and International Organizations to support the activities of the Annual Air Navigation Reporting Team (AANRT) through the provision of the required information.
- c) Urge the AANRT to consider developing and publishing the report as soon as possible as the situation normalizes.