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Workshop on the provision of  
information on volcanic eruptions  
and ash clouds

*(Yaoundé, Cameroon, 16 – 20 June 2025)*



# Update of the Operational Instructions regarding the Volcanic Ash Exercises

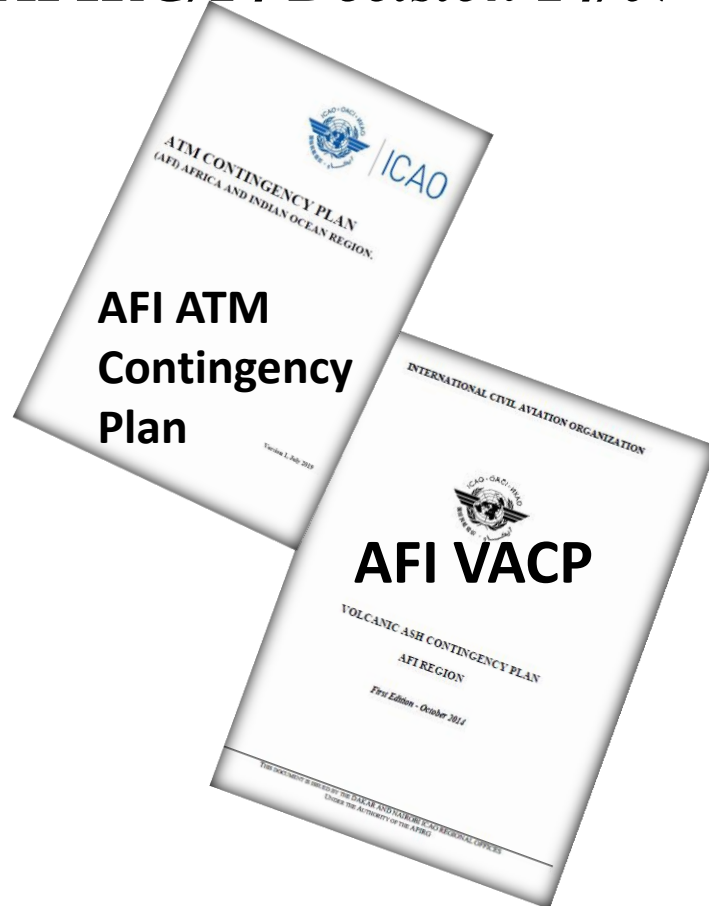
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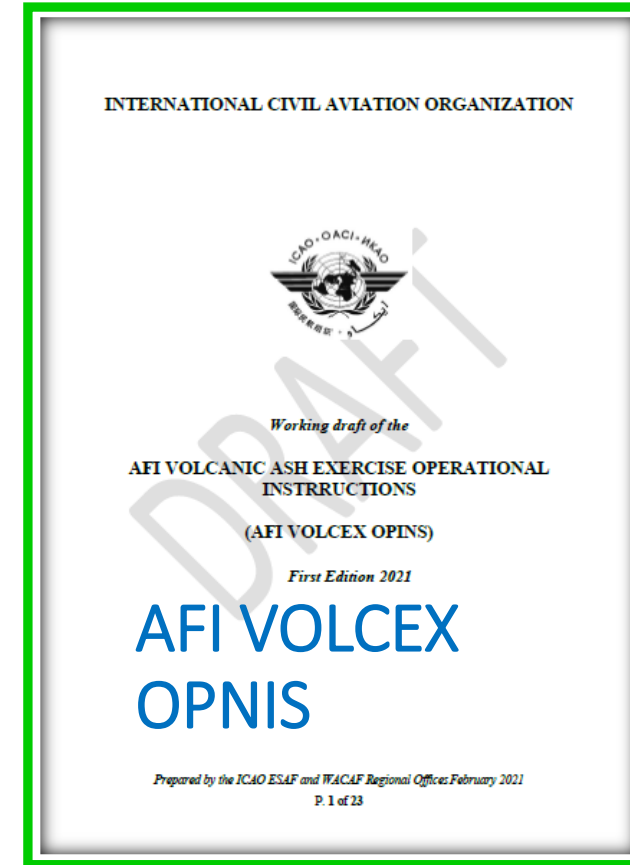
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# Background

## *APIRG/24 Decision 24/07*



## *APIRG/24 Decision 24/27*



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## Rationale

- The Operational Instructions, providing **operational guidance** on conducting and reporting on the volcanic ash exercise **were approved by APIRG in 2021**.
- The VOLCEX Steering Group established by APIRG, **reports to the APIRG** in accordance with **APIRG mechanism**.
- In 2024, APIRG and RASG-AFI were merged into a single entity named Africa-Indian Ocean Aviation System Implementation Group (**AASPG**) with a new Procedural Handbook.
- **Amendment 82 of Annex 3** to Chicago Convention **were adopted in April 2025** for **applicability date in November 2025**.
- Lessons learned from the two volcanic ash conducted in 2021 and 2023.
- Need to review the Operational Instructions regarding the Volcex to ensure their **alignment with the new provisions**.

## Note on the update of the VOLCEX related Operational Instructions

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