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NEW UPDATES FOR ICAO PBN IMPLEMENTATION KITS

MONTRÉAL, 21 JANUARY 2015 – In line with its ongoing cooperative efforts to assist States and operators with the establishment of Performance-based Navigation (PBN), the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) has announced new updates to its <u>PBN Implementation Kit</u>, or *'iKit'*.

First released in 2012, the updated 2014 PBN *iKit* contains documentation revisions relating to operational approvals, instrument procedure design and charting, as well as navigation specifications. It also includes references to new ICAO <u>products and services</u> that help to expedite PBN implementation.

"ICAO is committed to helping States achieve current targets for PBN implementation," remarked Dr. Olumuyiwa Benard Aliu, President of the ICAO Council. "We're working hard across our entire Organization at present to ensure that sufficient resources and assistance are available through ICAO to build State capacity and support the more harmonized global implementation of ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs). The PBN *iKit* is one such resource and ICAO will continue to update and distribute it as needed so that no country is left behind where PBN benefits are concerned."

PBN implementation is the world aviation network's highest air navigation priority at present. It is a key enabler for many of the Aviation System Block Upgrades (ASBUs) contained in ICAO's Global Air Navigation Plan and provides significant safety, environmental and operational efficiency benefits.

The ICAO PBN *iKit* provides the global air transport sector with a convenient single-source for tailored PBN support materials and other documentation. It is an essential resource for the many regulators, pilots, air traffic controllers, airspace managers, procedures designers and other air navigation specialists responsible for implementing and following PBN specifications and procedures globally.

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Resources for editors:

PBN iKit ICAO's PBN Programme The ICAO Global Air Navigation Plan ICAO Online Regional Reporting Dashboards

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