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## Twenty Sixth Meeting of the Africa-Indian Ocean Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APIRG/26)

7 - 8 November 2023

### Agenda Item 3: Implementation of air navigation goals, targets, and indicators, including the priorities set in the regional air navigation plan

#### 3.4 Completion of the Regional Air Navigation Plan in three volumes

*(Presented by the Secretariat)*

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<p>This paper presents the status of completion of the Regional Air Navigation Plan (Regional ANP), and calls for formal approval of Volume III of the Regional ANP as the final step towards full compliance with the Council requirement for all PIRGs to develop their ANPs in three volumes.</p>	
<p><b>Action by the meeting is in paragraph 3</b></p>	
<p><b>REFERENCES</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Doc 7474, Regional Air Navigation Plan</li> <li>▪ Doc 7030, Regional Supplementary Procedures</li> <li>▪ Doc 9750, Global Air Navigation Plan</li> <li>▪ APIRG/22, APIRG/24 and APIRG/25 Reports</li> </ul>	
<p><i>Strategic Objectives</i></p>	<p><i>A – Aviation Safety</i></p> <p><i>B – Air navigation Capacity and Efficiency</i></p> <p><i>C – Security and Facilitation</i></p> <p><i>E – Environmental Protection</i></p>

## 1 INTRODUCTION

1.1. Regional Air Navigation Plan (ANP) data related to air navigation facilities and services can be classified as stable, dynamic or flexible. In this regard, all Planning and Implementation Regional Groups were requested to develop eANP composed of three volumes as follows:

- a) Volume I should contain stable plan elements, the amendments of which require approval by the Council;
- b) Volume II should contain dynamic plan elements, the amendment of which does not require approval by the Council (approval is by regional agreement involving the relevant PIRG); and
- c) Volume III should contain dynamic/flexible plan elements providing implementation planning guidance for air navigation systems and their modernization taking into consideration emerging programmes such as the ASBUs and associated technology roadmaps described in the GANP. It also includes appropriate additional guidance,

particularly with regard to implementation, to complement the material contained in the ANP Volumes I and II. Its amendments do not require approval by the Council (approval of Part II is under the responsibility of the relevant PIRG).

## 2 DISCUSSION

### *Completion of the three Volumes of the Regional ANP (Doc 7474)*

- 2.1 The meeting may wish to recall that the President, on behalf of the Council, approved on 19 August 2016 Volume I of the Regional eANP (Doc 7474).
- 2.2 In 2019, APIRG, under its Conclusion 22/20, endorsed Volume II of the Regional eANP; and requested States to provide timely inputs to Volume III once circulated, while complying with the established procedures for further amendments of the Regional eANP.
- 2.3 The approved Volume I and Volume II of the AFI eANP are posted on the ICAO ESAF and WACAF Regional Offices websites (<https://www.icao.int/WACAF/Pages/AFI-eANPs.aspx> and <https://www.icao.int/esaf/Pages/default.aspx>). The process for amendment of the AFI Air Navigation Plan is detailed in Appendix A of the Volume I.
- 2.4 In 2022, the group reviewed the draft Volume III prepared by the Secretariat, in line with its Decision 24/30 which called for the identification of applicable ASBU elements and the finalization of the eANP Volume III. It also urged States and the Secretariat to expedite the amendment of the Volumes I and II to ensure their consistency and updating, as appropriate. Following discussions, APIRG formulated the following conclusion:

#### *Conclusion 25/29: Completion of the Regional eANP*

*That to finalize the development of the Volume III and the amendment of the Volumes I and II of the eANP,*

- a) States to review the draft eANP Volume III and provide the Secretariat with their feedback by 31 March 2023, for consolidation and subsequent formal approval by the APIRG through the APCC; and*
- b) States and the Secretariat to expedite the amendment of Volumes I and II of the AFI eANP, as appropriate, by 30 June 2023.*

#### *Development of Volume III*

- 2.5 The Secretariat circulated the draft eANP Volume III through State letter T 17/5.1 - 0041 dated 20 January 2023, inviting States to review the document and provide their inputs and comments by 31 March 2023, for consideration by the Secretariat in finalizing this volume. Only three States have provided their feedback to the Secretariat.

#### *Amendment of Volumes I and II*

- 2.6 The Secretariat organized a three-session webinar to support States in updating the three Volumes of the eANP. Eighty-three (83) participants from twenty-seven (27) States attended the first session of the webinar conducted from 2 to 3 October 2023, which familiarized them with the content of the Regional Air Navigation Plan and its amendment processes.
- 2.7 The second session held from 4 to 25 October 2023, was dedicated to activities requesting States to update their respective information contained in the three volumes of the

Regional Air Navigation Plan. To this end, editable versions of the three volumes were circulated through State Letter *T16.3 – 0670 dated 5 October 2023*.

- 2.8 The third session held from 30 to 31 October 2023, was attended by Fifty-eight (58) participants from fifteen (15) States. It reviewed States' issues to be addressed through proposals for amendments.

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- 2.9 Part IV of Volume III is intended to facilitate regional implementation monitoring. To this end, some tables are included for each of the areas AOP, ATM/SAR, CNS, AIM and MET, to capture the status of implementation of the applicable ASBU elements by States. So far, many tables are not yet filled up due to lack of information from States.

- 2.10 These tables are included in the online tool for reporting ASBU implementation, which is under finalization. The meeting may wish to urge States to regularly report their status of planning and implementation of the applicable ASBU elements to the ICAO Regional Offices, through the online platform once finalized.

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

- 3.1. The meeting is invited to:

- a) Take note of the information in this paper;
- b) Review and approve Volume III of the Regional Air Navigation Plan (ANP) provided as Appendix ;
- c) Request the Secretariat to initiate the proposals for amendment of the ANP, Volumes I and II; and
- d) Request States to pursue their efforts to implement ANP requirements and regularly provide updated information on the status of implementation.

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