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## INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

**Twenty Third Meeting of the Africa-Indian Ocean Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APIRG/23)**

*(Virtual, 24 - 26 November 2020)*

**Agenda Item 1: Follow-up on APIRG/22 Meeting Conclusions and Decisions**

**1.2. Review of the action taken by the APCC/5 meeting on APIRG/22 Conclusions and Decisions**

*(Presented by Secretariat)*

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
This working paper presents the outcomes of the APCC meeting which was held virtually on 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2020	
Action by the Meeting is at paragraph 3	
<b>Strategic Objectives</b>	A-Safety B-Capacity and Efficiency
<b>References</b>	APIRG/22 report APCC/5 report

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1. The Africa-Indian Ocean Planning and Implementation Regional Group Projects Coordination Committee (APCC) was established a structure of APIRG structure at the Group Extra Ordinary meeting held in Zambia in 2014. The main purpose of the APCC is to undertake tasks that have hitherto been an increasing challenge such as, reducing the volume of material for consideration by APIRG meetings to manageable levels, carrying out certain tasks in between the APIRG meetings in order to facilitate continuity and efficiency in implementation, and supporting the required coordination between APIRG and RASG-AFI. The APCC is composed of elected Chairperson and Vice-chairperson, the Secretary of APIRG, elected Officials from States and Secretaries of the Sub-Groups. The Group has so far held five meetings.

1.2. The APCC/5 meeting was held virtually on 3 November 2020 to discuss among other items the presentation of the format of APIRG/RASG-AFI meetings under the revised terms of reference, the performance framework for Regional Air Navigation Planning and Implementation including the status of implementation of APIRG/22 conclusions and decisions, the review of APIRG Procedural Handbook and APCC ToRs, the future work programmes and schedule of next meetings of APIRG and its auxiliary bodies, and the development of the APIRG Annual Air Navigation Report.

## 2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The meeting appreciated the progress made in the implementation of some Conclusions and Decisions and recognized the challenges still faced by the ICAO Regional Offices in collecting data on implementation of APIRG conclusions and decisions from States and organization.

2.2 The meeting recalled the discussions of APIRG/22 meeting that, “in order for APIRG to report efficiently and in a timely manner”, there was the need for States to improve on the level of information provided to ESAF and WACAF Regional Offices regarding the status of implementation of Global, Regional and National requirements, including APIRG conclusions and decisions.

2.3 The APCC meeting reviewed the status of implementation of APIRG/22 Conclusions/Decisions, identified those that continue to be valid and actions required by States, regional organizations and ICAO Regional Offices to further facilitate and support their effective implementation.

2.4 The meeting recognized the importance of implementing the two (2) following APIRG/22 conclusions as a prerequisite condition to a proper reporting of information related to APIRG Conclusions:

***APIRG/22 Conclusion 22/01: Effective implementation of AFI Regional ANS projects***

***That, in order to ensure effective and efficient implementation of APIRG projects, States and industry:***

- a) Commit the necessary resources and infrastructure towards implementation of APIRG decisions and conclusions;***
- b) Effectively participate in AFI projects, including those linked to the APIRG Decisions and Conclusions;***
- c) Strengthening the effectiveness and efficiency of ANS related projects such as but not limited to the African Flight Planning Procedures Programme (AFPP) and ANSP Peer review mechanism.***

***APIRG/22 Conclusion 22/02: Regular and timely reporting on the status of implementation of APIRG Conclusions and decisions***

***That in order to strengthening the AFI air navigation reporting system, Administrations/Organizations:***

- a) Establish effective internal mechanisms within civil aviation organizations to facilitate collection of information on the status of implementation of APIRG Conclusions and Decisions in all applicable areas through the Air navigation reporting Forms (ANRFs);***
- b) Provide the ICAO Secretariat and all relevant parties with the required information on the status of implementation of Conclusions and Decisions on a regular basis, in order to assess progress in the strengthening of the air navigation system and to enable reporting by ICAO to APIRG;***
- c) Timely report on Incidents and continuously fill up the AFI Air Navigation Deficiency Database (AANDD).***

2.5 The meeting further urged States and ICAO Regional Offices to urgently implement APIRG/22 Conclusions 22/01 and 22/02 on Effective implementation of AFI Regional ANS projects and regular and timely reporting on the status of implementation of APIRG Conclusions and Decisions. This will allow Administrations and organizations to provide the ICAO Secretariat with the required information on the status of implementation of APIRG Conclusions

and Decisions on a regular basis, in order to assess progress in the strengthening of the air navigation system, and reporting as required by APIRG.

The meeting formulated the following draft conclusion:

***Draft Conclusion APIRG/23 Conclusion 23/XX: Effective implementation of APIRG Conclusions 22/01 and 22/02***

***That, in order to ensure effective reporting of implementation of APIRG projects and Conclusions and Decisions:***

***States, ICAO Regional Offices, and Organizations are urged to implement the APIRG Conclusions 22/01 and 22/02***

2.6 The status of implementation of APIRG/22 Conclusions and Decisions is detailed in the WP/04

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

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) Note the information presented by this paper; and
- b) Urge States, ICAO Regional Offices, and Organizations to implement the APIRG/22 Conclusions 22/01 and 22/02.

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