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Second Meeting of the APIRG Information and Infrastructure Management Sub-Group (IIM/SG/2)

Dakar, Senegal, 09-11 July 2018

Agenda Item 3: Review of the outcome of the APIRG 21 meeting

3.C AFI Aeronautical Meteorology

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents the outcome of APIRG/21 meeting, held in Nairobi, Kenya from 09 to12 October 2017 in matters pertaining to aeronautical meteorology for review.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3:

References:

• Twenty First AFI Planning and Implementation Regional Group Meeting (APIRG/21) Meeting Report

Strategic Objectives	This working paper is related to the following ICAO strategic objectives
	A: Aviation Safety
	B: Capacity and efficiency

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The Twenty First Meeting of the AFI Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APIRG/21) was held in Nairobi, Kenya from 9th to 11 October 2017.
- 1.2. The meeting formulated twenty-seven (27) Conclusions and nine (9) Decisions. Conclusions deals with matters which, in accordance with the Group's terms of reference, merit directly the attentions of States or which further action will be initiated by ICAO in accordance with established procedures; and Decision deal with matters of concern only to APIRG and its contributory bodies.
- 1.3. A number of Conclusions/Decisions were cutting across several Air Navigation technical areas. Similarly, those relating to IIM projects. Conclusions that were directly concerned with aeronautical meteorological issues included;
 - Exchange of OPMET data in digital Format (Conclusion 21/21)
 - Availability of OPMET Data at AFI OPMET Data Banks (Conclusion 21/24)
 - Conduct of Volcanic Ash Exercises in AFI Region (Conclusion 21/35)
- 1.4. Detailed Conclusions related to aeronautical meteorology are at **appendix A** to this paper.

2. DISCUSSION.

- 2.1 The meeting will be aware that a State letter is a medium for official communication from the organization to States.
- 2.2. The report of the 21st meeting of APIRG (APIRG/21) was distributed to AFI States through State Latter ES AN 1/6-00782 dated 30 January 2018. The letter drew the attention of the States to the Conclusions and Decisions of the meeting. At the same time, it urged States to take action , as appropriate, in a timely manner.
- 2.3. Response from States, indicating the Current Status of implementation by States of Conclusion pertaining aeronautical meteorology i.e. Conclusions 21/21, 21/24 and 21/35 is yet to be received.
- 2.4. The meeting may wish to reiterate the importance States to provide feedback regarding status of implementation of Conclusion listed in para 1.3 at their earliest convenience but preferably before the next APCC meeting, tentatively scheduled for August 2018.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to:
 - a) Note the information provided in this paper;
 - b) Urge States to provide feedback on the status of implementation of APIRG/21 Conclusions pertaining to aeronautical meteorology.