

## INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

**Third Meeting of the APIRG Airspace and Aerodrome Operations Sub-Group  
(AAO/SG3), Virtual meeting, 3 to 5 August 2020****Agenda Item 7: Terms of Reference (TOR), Composition and Future Work  
Programme of the AAO/SG****TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR), COMPOSITION AND FUTURE WORK  
PROGRAMME OF THE AAO/SG***(Presented by the Secretariat)*

SUMMARY
This paper presents the Terms of Reference, Composition and Work Programme of the AAO Sub-Group as endorsed by the APIRG and proposes review and update as necessary to cater for new developments in the fields of AOP, ATM and SAR.  Action by the meeting is at <b>paragraph 3</b> .
<b>REFERENCE(S):</b> – APIRG/21 and APIRG/22 Reports – APIRG Procedural Handbook
This Working Paper is related to Strategic Objective: <b>B</b>

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 The APIRG Extraordinary Meeting, held in Lusaka, Zambia, 10-11 July 2014, agreed on the organizational structure of APIRG which includes the establishment of the Airspace and Aerodrome Operations Sub-Group (AAO/SG) and the Infrastructure and Information Management Sub-Group (IIM/SG).

1.2 The meeting will recall that at its Twenty-First Meeting in Nairobi, Kenya, from 9 to 11 October 2017, APIRG through the Conclusion 21/06, agreed on the Membership of its subsidiary bodies, and urged States and Organizations that have been identified to provide core expertise to the Sub-Groups and Project Teams, and have not already done so, nominate as matter of priority and in accordance with the APIRG Procedural Handbook, appropriate qualified officials to the APIRG Sub-Groups and Project Teams as applicable.

## 2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The Group will recall that the APIRG/22 Meeting reviewed and updated its work programme. In accordance with normal practice within APIRG subsidiary bodies, the meeting may wish to review and update the terms of reference (TOR) of the AAO Sub-Group and Project Teams as reflected in **Appendix A** to this working paper. The meeting is also called upon to review and update the work programme of the AAO Sub-Group at **Appendix B**, taking into consideration the discussions under previous agenda items.

2.2 The APIRG/22 also noted challenges encountered in the operationalization of the APIRG Structure and working methodology, including low participation of States and Organizations to the Sub-Groups activities. Indeed, few States and Organizations that have been identified to provide core expertise as per the APIRG Conclusion 21/06 (**Appendix C**), have done so up to now; while several new States showed at the same time their interest to contribute to the Sub-Group activities.

## 3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) Note the information provided in this working paper;
- b) review and if necessary update the terms of reference of the AAO Sub-Group at **Appendix A** to this working paper; and;
- c) review and update the work programme of the AAO Sub-Group, taking into consideration AAO SG activities endorsed by APIRG/22 in **Appendix B**.
- d) consider the replacement of core member States and Organizations that have not provided Experts and are not contributing to the Sub-Group activities.

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