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**Asia Pacific Regional Aviation Safety Team - Second Meeting of the  
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**Agenda Item 3: Development of an Action Plan to improve the accident/incident investigation capability in the APAC region**

**IMPLEMENTATION OF AN INDEPENDENT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT INVESTIGATION SYSTEM**

(Presented by Singapore)

**SUMMARY**

This paper identifies some assistance that can be organised in the APAC region for States/Administrations wishing to implement an independent accident/incident investigation system.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 In implementing an independent accident/incident investigation system, a State/Administration will need to address the issue of technical expertise and operational capability, as well as a number of organisational aspects such as developing appropriate investigation legislation, investigation process, and documentation. Proper documentation and structured and robust processes are as crucial to the success of the investigation system as investigation efficiency and effectiveness.

1.2 States/Administrations with established independent agencies can assist other States/Administrations in setting up or improving their investigation system. States/Administrations that need assistance will have to identify their needs to the APRAST-AIG AWG.

**2. DISCUSSION**

2.1 The following types of assistance can be organised in the APAC region for States/Administrations wishing to implement an independent accident/incident investigation system:

- (a) Advice on setting up of a new independent investigation agency/system
- (b) Audit to assess compliance with Annex 13
- (c) Review of investigation policies and procedures
- (d) Accident/incident investigation training
- (e) Attachment to other investigation agencies

2.2 Assistance on accident/incident investigation training that can be envisaged to be organised in the APAC region is further elaborated in Working Paper WP/6.

**3. ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1 The meeting is invited to request the ICAO APAC Office to:

- a) Inform States/Administrations that the types of assistance as identified in paragraph 2.1 can be envisaged to be organised in the APAC region; and
- b) Request States/Administrations to indicate the types of assistance they would need.

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