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**SIXTEENTH MEETING OF THE
COMMUNICATIONS/NAVIGATION/SURVEILLANCE AND
METEOROLOGY SUB-GROUP (CNS/MET SG/16) OF APANPIRG**

Bangkok, Thailand, 23 – 27 July 2012

Agenda Item 18: Working Arrangement for CNS and MET Sub-groups in 2013

APANPIRG PROCEDURAL HANDBOOK UPDATES

(Presented by Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This provides information on the revised draft of APANPIRG procedural Handbook.

This paper relates to -

Strategic Objectives:

A: Safety – Enhance global civil aviation safety

C: Environmental Protection and Sustainable Development of Air Transport – Foster harmonized and economically viable development of international civil aviation that does not unduly harm the environment

Action by the meeting is at Para 3 to this working Paper

1. Introduction

1.1 The Asia/Pacific Air Navigation Planning and Implementation Regional group (APANPIRG) Procedural Hand Book is an informal publication prepared by the Secretariat, intended to provide, for easy reference of interested parties, a consolidation of material, particularly of a procedural nature, about the work of APANPIRG and its contributory bodies. It contains the Terms of Reference of the APANPIRG approved by the Council of ICAO and the working arrangements and internal instructions developed by the Group for the practical application of its Terms of reference.

2. Discussion

2.1 The third edition of the APANPIRG Procedural Handbook was published in 1998. The APANPIRG Contributory Bodies Structure Review Task Force/1 which convened from 23 to 24 May 2011 noted that since then a number of changes were introduced and expressed the need for the fourth edition incorporating all the changes adopted by APANPIRG so far. Consequently the Amendment to APANPIRG Procedural Handbook was included in APANPIRG 22 Action Plan under Decision 22/53 for action by the ICAO APAC office.

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2.2 The revised edition of the APANPIRG Procedural Handbook is placed at **Attachment** to this paper.

2.3 In addition to editorial corrections the key changes adopted by APANPIRG are:

- The Terms of Reference of APANPIRG was revised consequent to the decision of the Council in April 2008 [Change in membership of APANPIRG] and May 2010 [coordination with RSAG APAC on safety issues];
- APANPIRG/18 adopted the Asia Pacific supplement to the Uniform Methodology for the identification, assessment and reporting of Air Navigation deficiencies;
- APANPIRG/20 approved the Terms of Reference of Chairperson, first Vice Chairperson and second Vice Chairperson; and
- APANPIRG/22 approved the term of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the sub groups.

3. Action by the Meeting

3.1 The meeting is invited to note the information provided in this paper.
