



International Civil Aviation Organization

**The Sixteenth Meeting of the Regional Airspace Safety Monitoring  
Advisory Group (RASMAG/16)**

Bangkok, Thailand, 20 – 24 February 2012

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**Agenda Item 8: Date and Venue of the Next RASMAG Meeting**

**FREQUENCY OF RASMAG MEETINGS**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

**SUMMARY**

This paper presents a proposal to move to an annual RASMAG meeting schedule, in order to improve meeting efficiencies.

This paper relates to –

**Strategic Objectives:**

A: *Safety – Enhance global civil aviation safety*

**Global Plan Initiatives:**

- GPI-2 Reduced vertical separation minima
- GPI-8 Collaborative airspace design and management
- GPI-9 Situational awareness
- GPI-16 Decision support systems and alerting systems
- GPI-21 Navigation systems
- GPI-22 Communication infrastructure

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 RASMAG/15 briefly discussed the matter of whether it was necessary to hold one or two RASMAG meetings per year, given the need to be efficient in terms of time and the cost of the meeting attendance. Meeting participants were asked to consider if it was necessary to hold the RASMAG meeting normally held in February, and in 2012 this matter would be further formally discussed.

**2. DISCUSSION**

2.1 APANPIRG/22 had noted the discussion regarding RASMAG meeting frequency, given the context that APANPIRG expected the meetings of subordinate bodies to be efficient in terms the time and cost burden for administrations. It was suggested that the August RASMAG meeting was most important, as this allowed the assessment of safety reports up until the month of April, and reporting to APANPIRG one month later.

2.2 In terms of APANPIRG Sub-Group level meetings, there were six such meetings planned by the Asia/Pacific Regional Office in 2013. The new Asia/Pacific Seamless ATM Planning Group (APSAPG) would have at least two meetings, the ATM/AIS/SAR Sub-Group one meeting, the CNS-ATM Sub-Group one meeting, and RASMAG two meetings. It should be noted that the ATM Section provides Secretariat services to all but one of these meetings (the CNS-MET Sub-Group), and has the new Regional ATM Contingency Plan Task Force (RACP/TF) to manage.

**3. ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1 The meeting is invited to discuss the frequency of RASMAG meetings.

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