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Third Meeting of the Regional Aviation Safety Team (APRAST/3)

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Agenda Item 3.1: Review of RASG APAC/2 Decisions and Revised RASG APAC Terms of Reference

**REVIEW OF RASG-APAC/2 DECISIONS AND
REVISED RASG-APAC TERMS OF REFERENCE**

(Presented by Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper provides an update on the progress of the Decisions adopted at RASG APAC/2 Meeting held in New Delhi, India from 08-09 October 2012 and information on the revised RASG APAC Terms of Reference providing for the approval of RASG APAC Standing and Yearly Work Programmes.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Regional Aviation Safety Group Asia-Pacific (RASG-APAC) established in 2011 is tasked with improving aviation safety in the APAC regions by developing and implementing a work programme aimed at identifying and implementing safety initiatives to address known safety hazards and deficiencies in the region.

1.2 RASG-APAC had its second meeting in New Delhi India from 08 to 09 October, 2012 and adopted 06 decisions. In addition, the RASG-APAC/2 meeting also revised the RASG APAC Terms of Reference (TOR) to introduce the concept of a RASG-APAC Standing Working Programme and a RASG-APAC Yearly Work Programme.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The list of RASG-APAC/2 decisions and their current status can be found in Attachment A to this paper.

2.2 Also the RASG-APAC /2 Meeting, taking the magnitude of the complete RASG APAC work programme into consideration recognized the need to split the work programme in to two parts in order to prioritize the allocation of the limited RASG APAC / APRAST resources.

2.3 The meeting decided that the RASG-APAC total work programme be named as the ***RASG APAC Standing Work Programme.***

2.4 The meeting also decided that a reasonable number of priority aviation safety activities/SEIs will be extracted from the Standing Work Programme to be implemented during the current year. These extracted activities/SEIs will form the **RASG-APAC Yearly Work Programme**.

In order to regularize the concept of the RASG APAC Standing Work Programme and the Yearly Work Programme the following inclusions to section 4 of RASG – TOR was approved by RASG-APAC and added as Section 4.3 of the RASG-APAC TORs.

2.5 *RASG-APAC will approve the RASG-APRAST Standing Work programme based on the recommendations presented by the APRAST at each RASG meeting. The Standing Work Programme is the comprehensive list of APRAST recommendations that have been approved by RASG-APAC for implementation.*

2.6 *The approved APRAST Standing Work Programme will remain in force until such time as there is a proposed addition to or deletion from the Standing Work Programme at which time the amended Standing Work Programme will require further approval by the RASG-APAC.*

2.7 *RASG-APAC will separately approve the RASG-APRAST Yearly Work programme based on the recommendations presented by the APRAST at each RASG meeting. The Yearly Work Programme is the list of APRAST recommendations selected for implementation within the coming year.*

2.8 *A reasonable number of priority aviation safety activities/SEIs will be extracted from the Standing Work Programme to be worked on during the current year. These extracted activities/SEIs will form the aviation safety activities for Yearly Work Programme.*

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to take note of the progress of RASG/2 meeting decisions and the RASG-APAC revised TORs and

3.2 Assist in the implementation of the RASG-APAC work programmes.

RASG-APAC/2 Decisions

S/N	Decision RASG-APAC 2	Ref	Subject Ref.	Decisions	Status
1	2/1	RASG 2 - WP/04	APRAST 2 Recommendations	All twenty-six (26) APRAST/2 recommendations contained in 'Annex A' to RASG-APAC/2 - WP/04 were approved by RASG-APAC as written.	Being implemented by APRAST, AIG AWG, SRP AWG. WP 05 will discuss the status of each of the 26 items approved by RASG APAC/2.
2	2/2	RASG 2 - WP/19		that, APRAST consider that list of Safety Enhancements at Appendix C to RASG-APAC/2 report be considered the prioritized Yearly Work Programme of RASG / APRAST.	Implemented
3	2/3	RASG 2 - WP/19		that, APRAST consider that list of Safety Enhancements at Appendix D to RASG-APAC/2 report be considered the Standing Work Programme of RASG / APRAST.	Implemented
4	2/4	RASG 2 - WP/15	Sharing of Information of potential precursors to Air accidents	that, WP/15 be moved to RASG-APAC Standing Work Programme, refer to Appendix D.	Implemented
5	2/5	RASG 2 - WP/07	Challenges of SSP Implementation	that, ICAO provide clear guidance regarding the effective implementation of SSP in practical environment. Update on manuals etc. to be provided at next RASG-APAC meeting.	Practical guidance on "ALoS" has been addressed in the current SMM 3rd Edition (advance version) posted since 28 May 2012.
6	2/6	RASG 2 - WP/11, IP/11	Improving License Conversion Process between States	that, ICAO Secretariat forward WP/11 and IP/11 to ICAO HQ for review and report back to RASG-APAC/3.	The updated Doc 9379 has guidance material on the conversion /validation of licences. However the ICAO has no immediate plans to develop new requirements regarding validation/conversion of licences as these activities are based on each State's national requirements.