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SUB-GROUP (MET SG/18) OF APANPIRG**

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UPDATES TO OPMET RELATED FASID TABLES

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents updates to OPMET related ASIA/PAC FASID Tables MET.

1. Introduction

1.1 The Facilities and Services Implementation Document (FASID) contains a detailed description/list of the facilities and/or services to be provided to fulfil the basic requirements of the Air Navigation Plan (ANP) and are as agreed between the provider and user States concerned. Such agreement indicates a commitment on the part of the State(s) concerned to implement the requirement(s) specified. This element of the FASID, in conjunction with the ASIA/PAC Basic ANP, is kept under constant review by the ASIA/PAC Air Navigation Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APANPIRG) in accordance with its schedule of management, in consultation with user and provider States and with the assistance of the ICAO Asia and Pacific Office, Bangkok.

2. Discussion

2.1 Maintaining the Basic ANP and associated FASID Tables MET has many purposes which include: (1) regional planning by operators, (2) measurement of implementation which allows for proper focus in implementation strategies by many entities (Operations, States and ICAO); and (3) input to cost-recovery of MET Services provided for international aviation. Therefore, an annual review of the latest Basic ANP and FASID Tables MET is strongly encouraged.

2.2 The ASIA/PAC Basic ANP and FASID Tables MET are available for reference and review at the following website: <http://www.icao.int/APAC/Pages/edocs.aspx>.

2.3 The meeting may recall that, since the last meeting (MET SG/17) in May 2013, the updates or amendments to ASIA/PAC FASID Tables MET in the following paragraphs have been approved or have been proposed and are pending processing and final approval.

2.4 Amendment proposal APAC 13/03 – MET, approved on 13 June 2013, was originated by WAFSOPSG/7 in Conclusion 7/2 – *Amendment to WAFS-related procedures in the ANP/FASID*, in order to improve clarity in describing criteria for access to Internet-based services by WAFCs. FASID Table MET 6 was amended to indicate WIFS being the primary source of WAFS information for Japan and Malaysia.

2.5 Amendment proposal APAC 13/11 – MET, approved on 17 June 2013, was originated by Sri Lanka to amend FASID Tables MET 1A and 2A to include requirements for OPMET for the new aerodrome Mattala Rajapaksa International Airport (VCRI).

2.6 Amendment proposal SAM-F 13/02 AOP/CNS/MET/AIS, approved 24 October 2013, was originated by the Secretary General in order to align the area of applicability of the ASIA/PAC and CAR/SAM ANPs in accordance with the transfer of Easter Island FIR (Chile) from the ASIA/PAC to the CAR/SAM ANP. FASID Tables MET 1A and 2A were amended to delete the requirements for OPMET with respect to Chile from the APAC FASID Tables.

2.7 Amendment proposal APAC 13/21 – MET, approved on 23 January 2014, was originated by the Maldives to amend FASID Tables MET 1A and 2A to include requirements for OPMET for the newly-designated international aerodromes Hanimaadhoo (VRMH) and Villa Airport Maamigili (VRMV).

2.8 Amendment proposal APAC 14/04 – MET, approved on 28 March 2014, was originated by WAFSOPSG/8 in Conclusion 8/2 – *Amendment to WAFS-related procedures in the ANP/FASID*, to amend FASID Tables MET 5 and 6 to eliminate Note 3 in Table MET 5 as a consequence of Amendment 76 of Annex 3 (applicable in November 2013) in which WAFS forecasts of cumulonimbus clouds, icing and clear-air and in-cloud turbulence became operational, and proposed editorial improvements in Table MET 6 to rightly refer to the Secure SADIS FTP Internet-based service and the SADIS 2G and ISCS G2 satellite footprints. FASID Table MET 6 was also correctly amended to incorporate Malaysia's primary Internet-based service for the provision of WAFS forecasts and OPMET information.

2.9 Amendment proposal APAC 14/02 – MET, approved on 2 April 2014, was originated by the Secretariat and IAVWOPSG/7 in Decision 7/2 – *Notation for latitude and longitude in FASID Table MET 3B* and Conclusion 7/3 – *Amendment to the IAVW-related regional procedures in the ANP/FASID*, to amend FASID Tables MET 3A and 3B to ensure the areas of responsibility for volcanic ash advisory centres (VAACs) in Table MET 3B reflect the current requirements for VAAC areas of responsibility and are fully aligned with other (ICAO) regional air navigation plans, and the notation used for latitude and longitude in Table MET 3B is given in degrees and minutes, consistent with Annex 3 — *Meteorological Service for International Air Navigation*, Table A2-1, and that Table MET 3A reflects the current requirements, and is fully aligned with the MID ANP, with respect to locations listed for the United Arab Emirates.

2.10 Amendment proposal APAC 14/05 – MET, approved on 3 April 2014, was originated by Indonesia and Viet Nam to amend FASID Tables MET 1A and 2A to reflect the current requirements for OPMET in Indonesia and Viet Nam.

2.11 The meeting is reminded of action agreed at ROBEX WG/12 in response to updates proposed by Australia to FASID Tables MET 1B, MET 3A and MET 3B to reflect changes to meteorological watch offices (MWOs) at Cairns and Townville (ROBEX WG/12 Agreed action 12/9 and 12/13 refer).

3. Action by the meeting

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) review the information in this paper; and
- b) discuss any additional updates required to ASIA/PAC FASID Tables MET.
