

ARPO AND ARMA AFI RVSM IMPLEMENTATION CLOSE DOWN REPORT 29 SEPTEMBER 2008

The implementation of RVSM in AFI took place as published in the various aeronautical publications on 25 September 2008 0001 UTC.

ARPO & ARMA are pleased to record that the implementation proceeded without any safety problems and to date no incidents involving operational errors leading to Large Height Deviations were recorded.

The RVSM system is being closely monitored providing an indication that there are a few minor administrative problems resulting from flight planning and the RVSM approval of aircraft which is being addressed on a continuous basis by ARMA, ARPO and the respective NPM's. These can be considered as initial post implementation administrative problems which will be resolved as all parties grow accustomed to RVSM and the practicalities.

The quick response teams based in Dakar Senegal and Johannesburg South Africa have closed operations however ARMA & ARPO are still available in their respective offices to take queries and attend to any incidents that may arise, including operational errors.

The Dakar Quick response team and all FIR's have reported back to ARMA and ARPO that RVSM has been successfully implemented and is operational without any undue problems. All reports received have also indicated that there have been no large height deviations recorded as a result of operational errors. This will be continuously monitored and addressed by ARMA if the need arises.

In summary AFI RVSM has been implemented in an orderly and safe manner and both ARPO & ARMA have emphasized to all ACC's that RVSM must now be maintained to the high standards that were evident during implementation. RVSM vigilance must be maintained at all times which will be monitored by ARMA as tasked.

In closing the respective ACC's are to continue with the safe management of RVSM in their respective FIR's

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