

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION**Fourth Meeting of the APIRG Airspace and Aerodrome Operations Sub-Group
(AAO/SG4), Virtual Meeting, 16 to 18 August 2021****Agenda Item 6: AFI Air Navigation Deficiencies Database****OPERATIONALIZATION OF THE AFI AIR NAVIGATION DEFICIENCIES DATABASE***(Presented by Secretariat)*

SUMMARY
<p>This working paper discusses the proposed methodology by the ICAO WACAF and ESAF Regional Officers for identification, recording and update of the AFI Deficiency database in order to have an effective application of the APIRG Minimum Reporting guidance applicable to the AAO SG.</p> <p>Action by APIRG is contained in Paragraph 3.</p>
<p>REFERENCE(S):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">– APIRG/18 , APIRG/22 and APIRG/23 Reports– APIRG Procedural Handbook
<p>Related ICAO Strategic Objective(s):</p> <p>This Working Paper is related to Strategic Objective: A, B and E</p>

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Council approved a uniform methodology for the identification, reporting and assessment of regional Air Navigation deficiencies against the ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) and Regional Air Navigation Plan (ANP).

1.2 To support the implementation of the Uniform Methodology, every PIRG is required to develop its own unique deficiency database as a means of sharing safety information related to Air Navigation systems. The database is to be available for use within the specific region(s) only. The AFI Air Navigation Deficiency Database (ANDD) was developed and established in October 2011.

A process for the operationalization of the Air Navigation deficiency database is currently at an advanced Stage by the two Regional offices will be shared by the States and Organizations in due course.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The meeting will recall that APIRG/23 meeting held virtually on 24 to 26 November 2020 under Conclusion 23/32 on endorsement of AANDD Management process and minimum Reporting Areas and nomination of Focal Points agreed as follows:

That, in order to support the implementation of the Uniform Methodology for the identification, assessment and reporting of deficiencies:

- a) the AFI Air Navigation Deficiency Database management process as well as the revised minimum reporting areas are endorsed; and*
- b) States and Organizations that have not yet done so, are urged to nominate as a matter of urgency, not later than 31 January 2021, Focal Points for interaction with the AANDD.*

2.2 The endorsed AANDD management process is planned to be presented to the nominated Focal Points before the end the 2021. There are some States and Organizations that are yet to nominate Focal points to interact with the system. The list of Focal points nominated by States is attached to this WP as Appendix A.

2.3 The Focal points who are to be given credentials to the system are also to agree on the minimum reporting areas for purposes of uniformity in reporting and managing the Minimum reporting areas which would include addition and removal of the deficiencies among other critical decisions on the system.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) note the information provided in this working paper;
- b) Urge States and Organizations that have not done so to nominate as a matter of urgency Focal Points for interaction with the AANDD
- c) Urge all nominated focal Points to participate in the AANDD workshop to be organised by ICAO
