

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

Sixth Meeting of the APIRG Infrastructure and Information Management Sub-Group (IIM/SG6)

(Nairobi, 31 July to 3 August 2023)

Agenda Item 7: A Proposed recommendations/actions to be taken by ICAO HQ

WP7.1 Recommendations/actions to be taken by ICAO HQ

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This working paper recalls the guidance provided in the Generic Terms of Reference of Planning and Implementation Regional Groups (PIRGs) and calls for the identifications of the actions formulated by the IIM/SG6 meeting that need attention of ICAO Headquarters (HQ).

Action by the meeting in paragraph 3

REFERENCE(S):

- Generic Terms of Reference of Planning and Implementation Regional Groups (PIRGs)
- APIRG/25 Report

This working paper relates to **ICAO Strategic Objectives**: \mathbf{A} – *Safety*, \mathbf{B} – *Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency*

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The guidance provided in the Generic Terms of Reference of Planning and Implementation Regional Groups (PIRGs) call for PIRGs to ensure that the PIRG meeting reports is provided in a standardized format to the governing bodies of ICAO to identify regional and emerging challenges. It is also recalled that these reports should include amongst others, a list of issues cross-referenced to actions to be taken by ICAO Headquarters and/or Regional Offices.

2. DISCUSSIONS

- 2.1. The fifth meeting of the APIRG IIM Sub-group (APIRG IIM/SG5), held virtually from 26 to 29 July 2022 discussed the issues related to the cybersecurity resilience and noted that to increase States/Organizations technical personnel capability in cyber securing ANS systems, ICAO in collaboration with the industry, strengthens its support to activities aimed at raising awareness of ANS Cyber resilience through webinars/workshops/seminars on Cyber resilience of ANS systems in the AFI Region.
- 2.2. The APIRG IIM/SG5 then submitted to APITRG/25 Meeting a Cyber resilience related draft conclusion that was adopted under Decision 25/16 of APIRG/25 calling for the support to the

APIRG Projects activities related to cyber resilience in AFI Region through webinars/workshops/seminars on Cyber resilience of ANS systems in coordination with the industry. The meeting noted that the scope of this decision requires the coordination with ICAO HQ. As presented in the AIPRG IIM/SG6 WP2.2, the implementation of this decision is still in progress.

- 2.3. The IIM/SG6 Meeting has discussed amongst other, actions to further facilitate regional planning and implementation activities, the AFI Air Navigation Plan, Air Navigation Deficiencies in AIM, CNS and MET areas, the status of the implementation of APIRG Projects as well as ASBU elements, for which the States' reporting level is still low in the region.
- 2.4. The IIM/SG6 meeting took actions to address issues and challenges identified in the area of capacity and efficiency. Some of these actions may require the attention of ICAO headquarters and the meeting should consider this situation accordingly.

3. ACTIONS BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to:
 - a) Take note of the information presented in this working paper,
 - b) Recall the APIRG/25 Decision 25/16 calling for the support to the APIRG Projects activities related to cyber resilience in AFI Region to APIRG attention.
 - c) Clear identify those actions taken by the IIM/SG6 Meeting that may need attention of ICAO HQ.

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