



International Civil Aviation Organization

**BAGHDAD FIR POST RVSM IMPLEMENTATION –
SPECIAL COORDINATION MEETING
(BFPRI SCM)**

(Amman, Jordan, 8 – 9 February 2012)

Agenda Item 3: ATC Coordination issues

CO-ORDINATION AND COMMUNICATION FAILURE WITHIN IRAQ

(Presented by Kuwait)

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 As a result of the implementation of RVSM within Baghdad FIR, Kuwait has been experiencing many difficulties with Baghdad ATC.

1.2 Those difficulties have jeopardized air safety within Kuwait FIR; such as lack of co-ordination and communication.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The State of Kuwait is seeking the improvement of communication and co-ordination with Baghdad FIR.

2.2 As a main mandate of air traffic services, users of the two airspaces will directly benefit from any positive improvement in the communication and co-ordination between the two units.

3. CONCLUSION

3.1 In order to overcome the above mentioned subjects, Kuwait is suggesting the following:

- a) use of e-mail or chat box to for the exchange of traffic data between Kuwait, Baghdad and Ali sectors;
- b) use of controller to controller direct line for safety enhancement;
- c) Kuwait must be advised at least an hour in advance before any airspace closure and use of 80NM longitudinal separation; and
- d) improve AFTN data exchange especially for traffic departing from Iraqi airports. Since Baghdad are increasing the separation from 20NM to 40NM frequently which adversely affecting the traffic flow from Bahrain FIR and Kuwait. Kuwait is suggesting to use 40NM as a consistent separation.

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