



International Civil Aviation Organization

**First Meeting of the RASG-MID Steering Committee
(RSC/1)**

(Cairo, Egypt, 18 – 20 June 2012)

Agenda Item 3: Review of the Summary of Discussions of the RSC-Limited meeting and RSC Teleconferences

RASG-MID STEERING COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

(Presented by Boeing, RSC Co-Chair.)

SUMMARY

This paper presents a summary of the activities conducted by the RASG Steering Committee since its inception at the RASG MID launching in September 2011

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

REFERENCES

- SoD of the RSC 1st Telecon of 23 Oct 2011
- SoD of the RSC-Limited Meeting, Amman, Jordan, 07 February 2012
- SoD of the RSC Telecon of 17 April 2012

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The RASG-MID Steering Committee (RSC) has been established by the first RASG-MID meeting held in Cairo, Egypt, 18-19 September 2011, with specific Terms of References.

1.2 The RASG-MID, in the spirit of fostering the cooperation between Governments and Industry decided to elect UAE and Boeing as Co-Chairs of the Steering committee, with their respective Alternates being Jordan and IFALPA.

1.3 Due to the geographical spread, the Steering Committee has worked essentially through emails and Teleconferences. One face-to-face limited meeting was held in Amman on 7 February 2012.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The mission assigned to the Steering Committee by the RASG-MID is to:

- assess work that has already been done under existing regional safety initiatives;
- identify short and medium term regional safety priorities and initiatives;

- coordinate the activities of the RASG-MID and all GASP/GASR safety related initiatives and adjust strategy as necessary;
- undertake any action required to ensure that the RASG-MID achieves its objective to reduce aviation risks and minimize or avoid duplication of efforts in the MID Region;
- provide regular safety environment assessments to the RASG-MID;
- coordinate establishment of the Regional Aviation Safety Teams (RASTs) that need to be established to address these initiatives, provided that:
 - i. the RSC completes an analysis of the identified key risk areas against work that has already been done in the region to ensure harmonization and avoid duplication;
 - ii. the RSC assumes the role of maintaining accountability for the established Teams ensuring that they meet their deliverables; and
 - iii. all aviation stakeholders, including Industry and International Organizations, have an active participation in the established Teams.
- monitor the progress of work and provide guidance to the established RASTs; and
- propose the RASG-MID work programme.

2.2 To achieve above objectives, the RSC first adopted the conclusions of the work conducted by TLST on the major safety risks in the region, and decided to focus on initiatives to address Runway Excursions (RE), Loss Of Control In-flight (LOC-I), and Controlled Flight Into Terrain (CFIT), until the analysis being conducted by the Annual Safety Report Team (ASRT) is available.

2.3 The RSC launched the activities of the ASRT during a meeting in Amman on 6 February and designated IATA as Rapporteur of the ASRT. The ASRT will brief this meeting about the progress achieved and present a Draft of the First MID Region Annual Safety Report.

2.4 At the face meeting in Amman on 7 February, the RSC also designated coordinators for the 3 focus areas:

- a) ICAO (Mr. Jehad Faqir & Mr. Adel Ramlawi) will be the coordinator for RE.
- b) IATA (Ms. Ruby Sayyed & Capt. Richard Hill) will be the coordinator for CFIT; and
- c) Boeing (Mr. Chamsou Andjorin) will be the coordinator for the LOC-I.

- 2.5 In regards to activities conducted by the coordinators, it is worth noting that:
- a) ICAO organized a Regional Runway Safety Seminar (RRSS) in partnership with IATA in Amman on 15-16 May with the contribution of Boeing;
 - b) WFP organized in partnership with other stakeholders a safety awareness campaign in UAE from 22 to 26 April, focusing on SMS, Threat and Error Management, Fatigue Risk Management; and
 - c) a presentation on LOC will be made later during the course of the present steering committee.
- 2.6 The RSC has established contact with the TLST and the GFSC to coordinate activities in order to avoid duplication and make use of available resources. TLST was invited to make a presentation at the limited RSC meeting in Amman on 7 February 2012. GFSC has made a presentation by teleconference at the limited RSC meeting in Amman. At the same meeting, it was agreed to invite GFSC to join the RASG.
- 2.7 The RSC has attempted to coordinate safety activities for 2012, but there have been some duplication due to events planned even before the establishment of the RASG. A Schedule of safety Events for 2012 has been consolidated by the RSC-Limited Meeting, as at **Appendix A** to this working paper.
- 2.8 In order to avoid similar situation in 2013, all stakeholders are invited to coordinate with the RSC their plans as early as possible, and before September 2012, in order to have a coordinated activities schedule presented to the RASG-MID/2 meeting scheduled for 12-14 November 2012.
- 2.9 In the preliminary report, ASRT recommends that we primarily focus on:
- a) Runway and Ground Safety;
 - b) In-flight damage; and
 - c) Loss Of Control – Inflight.
- 2.10 Although CFIT is considered as a lower risk area, it is recommended that some CFIT safety enhancement initiatives as presented in WP6 are taken into consideration.
- 2.11 For the next coming months, the coordinators designated for these areas, assisted by volunteers, are invited to develop a plan focusing on:
- a) reviewing the CAST SEIs (safety enhancement initiatives) related to these FAs respectively and selecting those relevant to the MID Region;
 - b) reviewing other initiatives proposed by RASG partners or implemented elsewhere;
 - c) selecting activities that will contribute to alleviate those risks in MID Region;
 - d) developing a plan to rollout these activities in the Region; and
 - e) executing at least one of these activities before the RASG-MID meeting in November.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) take note of the activities of the RSC since its establishment;
- b) agree on the proposals contained in this working paper; and
- c) continue to support the RSC activities for the success of the RASG-MID initiative.

APPENDIX A
SCHEDULE SAFETY EVENTS

Date	Event	Venue	Organizer
March			
4-8	ECCAIRS Training	Cairo	ICAO
12-14	SSP Implementation Course	Cairo	ICAO
April			
15-18	Regulators Audit Techniques-Training of GCAA New Joining Inspectors	UAE	COSCAP-GS
22-26	Safety Awareness Campaign	TBD	COSCAP-GS/WFP
May			
30 Apr-04 May	Eu Regulation (airworthiness)	Casa	ACAC
8-9	TEM, Juba (Sudan); Advance Emergency Response Plan	Sharjah, UAE	WFP
8-10	OPS Training	TBD	COSCAP-GS
14-16	Regional Runway Safety Seminar/Workshop (RRSS)	Amman	ICAO
14-17	Regulators Audit Techniques – Training of Kuwait GDCA new Joining Inspectors	Kuwait	COSCAP-GS
21-22	Regional Safety & Security Conference	Bahrain	IATA
23-24	Advanced Part M Workshop	TBD	COSCAP-GS
June			
4-5	Training on FCL Regulations	TBD	COSCAP-GS
10-12	Maintenance Program – MMEL/MEL	TBD	COSCAP-GS
17	TEM in Sudan	Sudan	WFP
18-20	RSC/1	Cairo	ICAO
25-27	Air Safety Committee/29	Rabat	ACAC
July			
2-3	Advance SMS	Amman	WFP
September			
3-6	TEM, Khartoum, Sudan	Khartoum	WFP
3-7	CMA / TCO WS	Casa	ACAC
8-11	Regulators Audit Techniques – Training of Bahrain CAA new Joining Inspectors	Bahrain	COSCAP-GS
26-27	COSCAP-GS 10 th Steering Committee Meeting	Dubai	COSCAP-GS
October			
17-18	SMS/SSP WS	Rabat/ TBD	ACAC
9-10	4 th GHAC, Amman	TBD	WFP
9-11	MID RVSM Safety Assessment Seminar	Bahrain	ICAO
15-16	FRMS Seminar	Cairo	ICAO
22-23	Training on FCL Regulations	TBD	COSCAP-GS
29-31	Maintenance Program – MMEL/MEL	TBD	COSCAP-GS

November			
25-2 Dec	ITS Training with FAA	TBD	COSCAP-GS
December			
3-5	OPS Training	TBD	COSCAP-GS
10-12	Seminar/Workshop on Regional Safety Oversight Programmes	Rabat	ACAC/ICAO
13-15	Air Safety Committee/30	Rabat	ACAC

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