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Agenda Item 5: Airspace Management Issues

## RADAR LONGITUDINAL SEPARATION

(Presented by the Secretariat)


#### Abstract

SUMMARY

This paper presents the outcome of MIDNPIRG/16 and the ATM SG/3 meetings related to the implementation of 20 NM radar longitudinal separation in the MID Region for necessary follow-up actions.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.


## REFERENCES

- ATM SG/3 Report
- Doc 4444
- MIDANPIRG/16 Report
- State Letter Ref.: AN 6/5.5-17/122 dated 12 April 2017


## 1. Introduction

1.1 In accordance with the provisions of the PANS-ATM (ICAO Doc 4444) the horizontal separation minimum based on radar and/or ADS-B and/or MLAT systems shall be 9.3 km (5.0 NM).

## 2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The subject was addressed by the MIDANPIRG/ 16 meeting, which recalled that MIDANPIRG/ 13 agreed that uniform 10 NM separation minima should be implemented in the MID Region. The surveillance systems, currently in operation within the Region, allow for consistent separation standards. The MIDANPIRG/13 meeting, through the Conclusion 13/5, encouraged MID States to implement 20 NM longitudinal separation and develop plans for further reduction of longitudinal separation from 20 NM to 10 NM .
2.2

The MIDANPIRG/16 meeting noted that several States in the MID Region have been still implementing procedural separation in a surveillance environment or 20NM or higher Radar Longitudinal Separation, due mainly to restrictions imposed by the adjacent States.

Based on the above, the MIDANPIRG/16 meeting agreed to the following Conclusion to supersede and replace the Conclusion 13/5:

Conclusion 16/19: Implementation of Reduced RADAR
That,
a) States, that have not yet done so:
i) be urged to implement 20 NM radar longitudinal separation; and
ii) be encouraged to further reduce the radar longitudinal separation within the MID Region to 10 NM.
b) the ATM SG monitor the status of implementation and take appropriate actions to foster the implementation.
2.4

The ICAO MID Office issued State Letter Ref.: AN 6/5.5 - 17/122 dated 12 April 2017 as a follow-up action to the above Conclusion.
2.5

The ATM SG/3 meeting reviewed and updated the implementation status of the radar longitudinal separation in the MID Region, The meeting noted with appreciation that Emirates and Jeddah ACCs reduced the longitudinal separation from 10 minutes to 30 NM on 25 May 2017. The meeting urged States to take necessary measures to expedite the implementation of 20 NM radar longitudinal separation and provide feedback to the ICAO MID Office. The status of implementation was further updated by the Secretariat based on the inputs received form States as reflected in the following Graphs and in details at Appendix A.


## 3. Action by the Meeting

3.1 The meeting is invited to:
a) urge States to implement the provisions of MIDANPIRG Conclusion 16/19; and
b) review and update the status of implementation of the longitudinal separation in the MID Region at Appendix A and take appropriate actions to foster the implementation.

MID REGION Status of 20 NM Longitudinal Separation Implementation
As of April 2018


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