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REPORT ON AGENDA ITEM 1:   ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSONS

Election of the Chairperson

1.1   The subject was addressed in WP/1 and WP/13, presented by the Secretariat and Saudi Arabia, respectively. The meeting agreed on the need to elect a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson for the management of the Task Force.

1.2   The meeting unanimously elected Mr. Nasser Al-Khalaf, Air Traffic Controller & ANS Advisor, Qatar Civil Aviation Authority (QCAA) as the Chairperson and Mr. Abdullah M. Albathi, Director Air Navigation Systems, Saudi Arabia General Civil Aviation Authority (GACA), as the Vice Chairperson of the RANP/NANP TF.

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REPORT ON AGENDA ITEM 2:   ADOPTION OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

2.1   The subject was addressed in WP/2 and WP/13, presented by the Secretariat and Saudi Arabia, respectively. The meeting reviewed and adopted the Provisional Agenda as at paragraph 6 of the History of the Meeting.

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REPORT ON AGENDA ITEM 3:   TERMS OF REFERENCE

Terms of Reference (ToR)

3.1   The subject was addressed in WP/3 and WP/13, presented by the Secretariat and Saudi Arabia, respectively.

3.2   The meeting recalled that the RANP/NANP Task Force was established by MIDANPIRG, through Decision 20/12:

> *MIDANPIRG DECISION 20/12:   RANP/NANP TASK FORCE*
>
> *That,*
>
> a) *RANP/NANP Task Force be established to ensure alignment of the MID Region Air Navigation Strategy and MID ANP Vol III with the latest edition of the GANP and assist States developing NANPs;*
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> b) *the terms of reference of the RANP/NANP Task Force be developed during the first meeting of RANP/NANP Task Force; and*
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> c) *States support the RANP/NANP Task Force through:*
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> *i. assignment of Focal Point to contribute to the work of the Task Force; and*
> *ii. sharing states' experience and provision of required data in timely manner.*

3.3   The meeting reviewed and amended the Terms of Reference (ToRs) of the RANP/NANP Task Force as at **Appendix 3A**. Accordingly, the meeting agreed to the following Draft Decision:

> *DRAFT DECISION 1/X: MID TERMS OF REFERENCE (TORS) OF THE RANP/NANP TASK FORCE*
>
> *That, the* Terms of Reference (ToRs) of the RANP/NANP Task Force are endorsed as at *Appendix 3A*.

Follow up on MIDANPIRG/20 Conclusions and Decisions relevant to RANP/NANP Task Force

3.4   The subject was addressed in WP/4, presented by the Secretariat. The meeting reviewed the progress made in the implementation of MIDANPIRG/20 Conclusions and Decisions related to the RANP/NANP Task Force. The actions taken by States and the Secretariat on the above mentioned Conclusions and Decisions were reviewed as at **Appendix 3B**.

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REPORT ON AGENDA ITEM 4:   MID AIR NAVIGATION REPORT-2023

4.1   The subject was addressed in WP/5, presented by the Secretariat.

4.2   The meeting recalled that MIDANPIRG, through Conclusions 20/9 and 20/11, urged States to implement the Performance-Based Approach (PBA) and provide the ICAO MID Office, with relevant data necessary for the development of the MID Region Air Navigation Report – 2023. As a follow-up action to the above-mentioned Conclusions, the ICAO MID Office issued State Letter Ref.: AN 1/7-23/270 dated 6 December 2023 to collect the following information and updates from MID States:

    a)   update on the status of implementation of the priority 1 ASBU Threads/Elements;

    b)   progress achieved in the implementation of the Performance Based Approach and development of State National Air Navigation Plan (NANP), by completing the Questionnaire at **Appendix 4A**; and

    c)   State's major achievement(s)/success story(ies) in the air navigation field in 2023.

4.3   Accordingly, the meeting reviewed and updated the preliminary results of the MID Air Navigation Report-2023 as at **Appendix 4B.** The meeting noted with appreciation the success story submitted by UAE on the implementation of Free Route Airspace (FRA) as at **Appendix 4C**.

4.4   The meeting agreed that the Secretariat consolidate the MID Air Navigation Report 2023 based on the preliminary results at **Appendix 4B.** Accordingly, the meeting agreed to the following Draft Decision:

DRAFT DECISION 1/X: MID AIR NAVIGATION REPORT-2023

*That, the Secretariat consolidate the MID Air Navigation Report-2023 based on the preliminary results at **Appendix 4B**, for presentation to and endorsement by MIDANPIRG/21.*

4.5   The meeting underlined the importance of designation of Focal Points for internal coordination (at National level) of the submission of required data to the ICAO MID Office.

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REPORT ON AGENDA ITEM 5:   **REVIEW AND UPDATE OF THE MID AIR NAVIGATION STRATEGY**

5.1   The subject was addressed in WP/6, presented by the Secretariat.

5.2   The meeting reviewed and updated the MID Air Navigation Strategy (ICAO MID Doc 002) as at **Appendix 5.A.** Accordingly, the meeting agreed to the following Draft Conclusion:

> *DRAFT CONCLUSION 1/X:*   *MID REGION AIR NAVIGATION STRATEGY, EDITION, FEBRUARY 2024*
>
> *That, the MID Region Air Navigation Strategy, Edition February 2024 (ICAO MID DOC 002), is endorsed and be published by the ICAO MID Office.*

5.3   The meeting underlined the need for the MIDANPIRG Sub Groups to allocate enough time in their agenda for the detailed discussion of the ASBU Threads relevant to their technical areas, including the identification of priorities, definition of applicability areas, indicators, metrics, targets, etc.

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REPORT ON AGENDA ITEM 6:   **NATIONAL AIR NAVIGATION PLAN**

GANP and PBA implementation

6.1   The subject was addressed in PPT/7, presented by the Secretariat. The meeting was provided with an overview of the GANP 7th Edition, the Performance Based Approach (PBA), as described in the Manual on Global Performance of the Air Navigation System (Doc 9883) and the MID Region Air Navigation Plan, Volume III. The meeting was apprised also about the status of development of ANP Volume III in the different ICAO Regions.

MID ANP Volume III

6.2   The subject was addressed in WP/8, presented by the Secretariat. The meeting recalled that the latest version of the MID Air Navigation Plan Volume III was endorsed by MIDANPIRG through Conclusion 20/8. The meeting reviewed the MID Air Navigation Plan Volume III and agreed that it is still current.

National Air Navigation Plan (NANP)

6.3   The subject was addressed in IP/3 and PPT/9, WP/12 and PPT/14; and PPT/10 presented by Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and UAE, respectively.

6.4   The meeting thanked Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and UAE for sharing their experience in the development of National Air Navigation Plan (NANP).

6.5   The meeting noted that, although Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and UAE have used the recommended ICAO 6 step approach for the development of their NANP, they used different methodologies for the implementation of the PBA and they endorsed different structures/layouts of the NANP.

6.6   The meeting noted that the NANP is dynamic; it could be a combination of multiple Documents, a web portal, a phone application, etc. The meeting agreed on the importance of automated processes/tools for the development and implementation of NANP; and monitoring and reporting purpose.

6.7   The meeting recalled that the GANP & NANP Workshop (Cairo, Egypt, 5-8 March 2023) identified the following challenges related to the implementation of PBA:

> a) Lack of understanding of the performance based approach and its benefits and necessary coordination between all stakeholders at National level;
> b) Lack of automated tools to collect the data necessary for the measurement of the ANS Performance (KPIs);
> c) Lack of historical data in some States;
> d) Lack of human and financial resources in some States;
> e) Lack of guidance related to the implementation of the 6 step approach and development of the NANP.

6.8   The meeting underlined the importance of alignment of the different plans of the service providers at National Level (Airport Operators, ANSPs and Airlines) and the need for cooperation and collaboration at National Level for a successful development and implementation of NANP.

6.9   The meeting recalled that MIDANPIRG, through Conclusion 20/9, tasked the ICAO MID Office to conduct assistance missions/Workshops at National level on GANP/NANP in 2023-2024. The meeting noted that the ICAO MID Office conducted an assistance mission/Workshop to Kuwait (28 May – 1 June 2023) to support the development of NANP. The meeting encouraged States that need assistance for the development of NANP, to request assistance from the ICAO MID Office.

6.10   The meeting invited States to take into consideration the experiences of Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and UAE in the development of NANP; and share their experiences in this endeavor with the next RANP/NANP TF/2 meeting, highlighting the best practices and challenges.

REPORT ON AGENDA ITEM 7: **FUTURE WORK PROGRAMME**

7.1 The subject was addressed in WP/11, presented by the Secretariat. The meeting agreed that the RANP/NANP TF/2 meeting will be held during the first half of 2025. The exact dates will be determined, after coordination between the ICAO MID Regional Office and the Chairpersons. The venue will be Cairo, unless a State is willing to host the meeting.

REPORT ON AGENDA ITEM 8:   ANY OTHER BUSINESS

8.1   Nothing has been discussed under this Agenda Item.