ATM/SAR/AIS SG/5 Report on Agenda Item 3

REPORT ON AGENDA ITEM 3: REVIEW OF ICAO REQUIREMENTS IN THE AIS/MAP FIELDS

- 3.1 The Sub-Group noted that the requirements in the Aeronautical Information Services (AIS) and Aeronautical Charts (MAP) fields for the MID Region have been included in Part VIII of the *draft* Basic Air Navigation Plan (ANP) and the Facilities and Services Implementation Document (FASID) for the Middle East Region. It was pointed out that most States of the Region have implemented the provisions of the Plan. However, the major challenge is in the automation of AIS and the eventual development of an integrated MID Region AIS automation system.
- 3.2 Taking into account time constraints and the specialized nature of the subject a proposal for the setting up of an AIS automation Work Group to lay down the necessary framework for the development of an integrated MID Region AIS automation was made by the Secretariat. However, the Sub-Group had mixed feelings on the urgency of the matter and indications were that it was premature to establish such a working group and the subject could still be addressed within the framework of the ATM/SAR/AIS Sub-Group.
- 3.3 It was also indicated that most States in the Region had already set up their AIS automation plans and no problems were encountered. Although some States were in favour of the creation of this work group, no consensus was reached and this idea was dropped for the time being. It was however pointed out that with a view to harmonize and rationalize AIS automation implementation plans in the region, some States may still require guidance and assistance in the field. It was agreed that ICAO Middle East Office will closely monitor the progress of implementation of rationalized AIS automation plans in the region and will submit a report to the next ATM/SAR/AIS Sub-Group meeting for consideration.
- 3.4 The Sub-Group also noted the status of implementation of WGS-84 based on the uniform format for the reporting of WGS-84 reporting developed at the CAR/SAM/3 RAN Meeting and required ICAO Charts in the Region. It was agreed that the information will be further updated by the Secretariat for presentation to MIDANPIRG/7 meeting.
