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7.1 The meeting was provided with a summary of the activities in air navigation carried out by Viet Nam.

7.2 Over the years, Viet Nam had been actively participating in meetings, conferences and sub-groups organized by ICAO as well as bilateral and multilateral meetings held under the auspices of the ICAO Regional Office and relevant States.

7.3 The meeting was informed that from 1988 until the RAN 3 meeting in 1993, Viet Nam had invested in CNS facilities and personnel staff to prepare for the control of air traffic in AORs in Hochminh FIR. Hochiminh ACC had officially controlled the southern part of Hochiminh FIR since 08 December 1994. All air traffic within Hochiminh FIR had been controlled by up-to-date VHF and radars and this had led to significant improvements of the air traffic management over the South China Sea.

7.4 In implementing the RVSM plan in the Asia Pacific region in general and Western Pacific and South China Sea in particular, Viet Nam had collaborated with relevant States and implemented phase 1 of the RVSM on 21 February 2003 and phase 2 on 31 October 2002.

7.5 Viet Nam had also successfully hosted the annual ASIA/PAC Conference of the Directors General of Civil Aviation in 1999 and the South East Asia Coordination Group (SEACG-9) meeting in 2002.

7.6 The meeting, in recognition of Viet Nam's active contributions and commitment towards the improvement of aviation in the region, unanimously decided to recommend Viet Nam's application for APANPIRG membership for approval by the Council of ICAO.

7.6 Viet Nam appreciated and thanked the meeting for the endorsement and pledged full commitment to APANPIRG.

7.7 The meeting formulated the following Conclusion:

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That, the ICAO Council consider approving Viet Nam's application for full membership with APANPIRG.