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Third Central Caribbean Working Group Meeting (C/CAR WG/3)

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Agenda Item 1: General matters

b) Air Navigation deficiencies in the Central Caribbean area

REVIEW OF THE ICAO DATABASE OF AIR NAVIGATION DEFICIENCIES IN THE CENTRAL CARIBBEAN

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents for review by the Meeting the current version of the ICAO air navigation deficiencies database for the Central Caribbean Region.

References:

- GREPECAS/11 Meeting Final Report (Manaus, Brazil, 3 to 7 December 2002)
- NACC/DCA/1 Meeting Final Report (Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, 8 – 11 October 2002)
- State Letter M 6/1-02/79 dated 27 September 2002

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The current version of the ICAO database of the reporting form on air navigation deficiencies in the Central Caribbean Region, including those which have been reported to have been corrected, is presented in **Appendices A** and **B**, respectively, to this paper.
- 1.2 The relevant conclusions of the GREPECAS/11 (Brazil, December 2002) and NACC/DCA/1 (Cayman Islands, October 2002) Meetings are presented in **Appendices C** and **D**, respectively.
- 1.3 The ICAO State Letter requesting States to prepare and submit an Action Plan for the correction of deficiencies is presented in **Appendix E**.

2. Suggested Action

- 2.1 The Meeting is invited to review the content of this paper and take any action it considers appropriate to encourage and facilitate the solution of outstanding deficiencies in the Central Caribbean Region. In addition, States/Territories are reminded to implement the following:
 - a) review the reporting form and submit any updated information to the ICAO Regional Office;
 - b) prepare an Action Plan for the resolution of the outstanding deficiencies and submit this to the ICAO Regional Office by 30 April 2003; and
 - c) implement multinational agreements and international co-operation projects to contribute to the resolution of the outstanding deficiencies, inform the ICAO Regional Office of these initiatives and request ICAO assistance for coordination, if required.

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APPENDIX A

REPORTING FORM ON AIR NAVIGATION DEFICIENCIES IN THE CENTRAL CARIBBEAN REGION

This Appendix will be forwarded to DCAs by e-mail.

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APPENDIX B

REPORTING FORM ON AIR NAVIGATION DEFICIENCIES IN THE CENTRAL CARIBBEAN REGION CORRECTED DEFICIENCIES

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APPENDIX C

GREPECAS/11 MEETING RELEVANT CONCLUSIONS

CONCLUSION 11/55 ACTION PLAN FOR THE RESOLUTION OF AIR NAVIGATION DEFICIENCIES

That States/Territories, with a view to resolving their respective air navigation deficiencies, especially those that might have a negative effect on safety aspects,

- a) urgently develop and implement an Action Plan, based on the format presented in the **Appendix E**, for each deficiency complying with the requirements established in the Air Navigation Plan FASID and the SARPs, specifying the corrective measures, the completion date, as well as assigning the necessary resources;
- b) inform ICAO, through the Regional Offices, on the Action Plan referred to in item a) above, no later than 30 April 2003, including any difficulties encountered; and
- c) consider establishing multinational agreements and international co-operation projects to contribute to resolving the deficiencies in the air navigation fields.

DECISION 11/58 PROPOSALS FOR REGIONAL PROJECTS TO CORRECT AIR NAVIGATION DEFICIENCIES.

That,

- a) GREPECAS contributory bodies identify and propose the implementation of Technical Co-operation Projects and Special Implementation Projects or other appropriate means to help correct deficiencies in their respective air navigation fields in the CAR/SAM Regions; and
- b) the Secretary of GREPECAS, the ACG and ICAO Regional Offices follow-up the Action Plans of the States/International Organizations, as well as the proposals for implementation of the projects mentioned in item a) above.

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(GREPECAS/11 APPENDIX E/APÉNDICE E)

ACTION PLAN FOR RESOLVING EACH OF THE REGIONAL AIR NAVIGATION DEFICIENCIES PLAN DE ACCIÓN PARA RESOLVER CADA UNA DE LAS DEFICIENCIAS REGIONALES DE NAVEGACIÓN AÉREA

State/Intl. Organization:

Estado/Org. Internacional:

Date/Fecha:

Deficiency/ Deficiencia	Corrective Action/ Acción correctiva	Date of Correction/ Fecha de corrección	Difficulties encountered/ Dificultades encontradas

APPENDIX D

NACC/DCA/1 MEETING RELEVANT CONCLUSION

CONCLUSION 1/20 PRIORITY SOLUTION FOR AIR NAVIGATION DEFICIENCIES

That States/Territories/International Organizations, with a view to resolving first and foremost their respective air navigation defic iencies, especially those that might have a negative effect on safety aspects presented in Appendix D,

- a) urgently develop and implement an Action Plan for each deficiency complying with the requirements established in the Air Navigation Plan FASID and the SARPs, specifying the corrective measures, the completion date, as well as assigning the necessary resources; and
- b) inform ICAO, through the NACC Office, on the Action Plan referred to in item a) above, no later than 31 December 2002, including any difficulties encountered.



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Subject: Addressing air navigation deficiencies

Action required: As suggested in paragraph 3

below

Sir/Madam,

- 1. I have the honour to draw to your attention that the ICAO Planning and Implementation Regional Groups (PIRGs), as part of their work programme, are identifying, assessing and addressing the air navigation deficiencies through a uniform methodology which was approved by the ICAO Council at the 19th meeting of its 154th Session on 23 June 1998.
- 2. In discussing the ways and means to resolving the air navigation deficiencies, the Council recently observed that many deficiencies continue to persist for a number of years thus causing concern. While recognizing that problems with funding could be one of the delaying factors in eliminating the deficiencies by the States, it was decided that the States should be reminded of their responsibility under Article 28 of the *Convention on International Civil Aviation* (Doc 7300) for providing safe air navigation services. Furthermore, States should increase their efforts in overcoming the delay in mitigating the air navigation deficiencies identified by Planning and Implementation Regional Groups (PIRGs). It was also stated that some of the deficiencies may have a negative effect on the safety issues covered by the Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP) which was transmitted to States by my State letter AN 6/37-02/11 dated 31 January 2002. Problems with maintenance of air navigation facilities have also caused serious concerns. The Council requested that measures be taken to accord priority to this matter through the allocation of adequate financial and human resources.
- 3. On my advice, the ICAO Regional Director accredited to your State has analysed the regional air navigation deficiencies and as a result prepared the attached list of existing deficiencies in your State. As you can see from the attachment, your State is experiencing deficiencies in the field of air navigation. Hence, I urge you to formulate a plan of action to eliminate those deficiencies by allocating sufficient resources. ICAO itself remains active in providing some form of assistance in eliminating the deficiencies through Technical Cooperation Projects and Special Implementation Projects. We hope to expand our involvement through the soon to be established International Financial

Facility for Aviation Safety (IFFAS). Meanwhile, I wish to express confidence in your personal interest in developing and implementing the action plan of your State to eliminate the deficiencies in the air navigation field.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

R.C.Costa Pereira Secretary General

Attachment:

A - List of air navigation deficiencies in your State