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# **Agenda Item 3:**

Specific Air Navigation Activities and Developments 3.3 Aeronautical Information Services (AIS)

#### REACTIVATION OF THE AUTO AIS C/CAR TASK FORCE

(Presented by the Rapporteur of the AUTO AIS C/CAR TF)

### **SUMMARY**

This Working Paper proposes to reactivate the activities of the AUTO AIS C/CAR Task Force under the subordination of the C/CAR WG.

#### References:

- Report of the Third Meeting of Directors of Civil Aviation of the Central Caribbean.
- Report of the First Meeting of the AUTO AIS C/CAR TF.
- Report of the Fourth Meeting of Directors of Civil Aviation of the Central Caribbean.

#### 1. Introduction

1.1 Since the Third Meeting of Directors of Civil Aviation of the Central Caribbean, held in Varadero, Cuba, an AIS C/CAR Task Force was created for the automation in the Sub-region. By decision of the Meeting, the composition of the Group was as follows: Dominican Republic, COCESNA and Cuba; the latter being the Rapporteur.

#### 2. Discussion.

- 2.1 By the end of 1999, the Group met in Havana in its full composition and prepared the pertinent materials that were presented and approved in the Fourth Meeting of Directors of Civil Aviation of the Central Caribbean, which took place in Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. These materials were namely:
- ⇒ AIS Automation Plan for the Central Caribbean (AISAP).
- ⇒ Basic principles of reference for the Cuban offer of the Aeronautical Information Automated System SAIA-3000.
- ⇒ General guidelines for the AIS Quality System in the Central Caribbean.
- 2.2 Additionally, and to support the implementation of the automation in the Sub-region, by request of some Delegates of the Meeting, Cuba carried out later a bilingual Seminar / Workshop on the Automation in the CAR Region in October of the year 2000, in Varadero, Cuba.

- 2.3 During that Fourth Meeting in Cayman Islands in the year 2000 a considerable number of Conclusions in order to develop the AIS area in C/CAR were adopted, which still continue without solution in some States.
- This AUTO AIS C/CAR Task Force stopped working, because, although its work reached further on, setting the bases for the implementation of the AIS Quality System, its specific function was to promote the automation, and the Group developed and proposed the AIS Automation Plan for the Central Caribbean (AISAP) and the Basic principles of reference for the Cuban offer of the Aeronautical Information Automated System SAIA-3000, that, regrettably, did not come to fruition, for reasons beyond the will of the Civil Administration of Cuba; however, even today, we continue receiving requests of support in this regard.
- 2.5 In regard to the above-mentioned, Cuba wishes to confirm its willingness to continue offering this system, with the difference that now the relationships will be handled directly with the Civil Aeronautics, for which, the interested parties should address to:

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Considering the listing of deficiencies in air navigation in the AIS/MAP field, as well as the outstanding Conclusions for execution by the States, and keeping in mind that the C/CAR WG is working based on specific Tasks Forces, we think that it is very important to reactivate the AUTO AIS C/CAR Task Force, with a new focus: renamed as C/CAR AIS/MAP Task Force, which will allow to expand its Terms of Reference and Work Program, in order to cover all the necessary activities to encourage the AIS/MAP developments in the Sub-region and to support efficiently the work of the C/CAR WG. Also it would be important to increase the restricted composition of the initial Group, to permit the participation of other interested States; and finally, we put to the consideration of this Meeting the proposal of changing the Rapporteur of the Group (Cuban AIS/MAP Expert), whose content and volume of current work would not allow her to develop a good work in charge of the Group.

# 3. Suggested action:

- 3.1 The Meeting participants are invited to:
  - a) take note of the information contained in this Working Paper;
  - b) consider the Cuban offer to assist in the development and implementation of the AIS Automation System in the Central Caribbean, to present the new basic principles of reference in the next Meeting of C/CAR Directors of Civil Aviation; and
  - c) adopt the following Decision:

## Decision 4/XX: REACTIVATION OF THE AUTO AIS C/CAR TASKS FORCE.

That, the C/CAR WG/4 approves:

a) To rename the Task Force C/CAR AIS/MAP Task Force, beginning its work as of this Meeting, fundamentally by the use of electronic mail;

- b) To increase its composition and change the Rapporteur, requesting the C/CAR States in an official manner, their interest to participate and cooperate in this regard; and
- c) To define, during this Meeting, by means of an Ad Hoc Group, its new Terms of Reference and Work Programme, corresponding with the new mission.

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