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**Agenda Item 4: Consider problems and make specific recommendations concerning the provision of ATM/AIS/SAR in the Asia/Pacific Region**

**SPECIAL IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT ON ATS SAFETY MANAGEMENT  
PROGRAMME FOR THE ASIA REGION**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

**SUMMARY**

This paper presents information on the Special Implementation Project approved by the Council of ICAO to evaluate ATS safety management programmes necessary for implementation and operation of RVSM and reduced horizontal separation minima in the Asia Region. The SIP would be carried out by the ICAO Asia/Pacific Office during the first half of 2005 to four States in the South-East Asia area.

**1 INTRODUCTION**

1.1 The Special Implementation Project (SIP) has as its main objective to ensure that all concerned States have set up a proper mechanism to ensure the safe implementation and operation of RVSM and reduced horizontal separation in accordance with Annex 11 provisions, and to assist States as necessary, to draw up an action plan with a view to meeting their obligations thereto. To achieve this objective, evaluation missions would be carried out to some States in the Asia Region.

**2 DISCUSSION**

2.1 In view of the ICAO regional implementation projects undertaken in the Asia Region in recent times for RVSM and reduced horizontal separation, and the present planning underway under APANPIRG to introduce ADS and CPDLC to enhance airspace capacity, efficiency and to reduce horizontal separation, and in view of all these activities requiring safety assessments to be carried out, the Regional Office considered it of value to evaluate the safety management programmes established by some of the States concerned and to provide assistance as appropriate.

2.2 Under the SIP, a series of visits are being planned by the Regional Office during the August 2005 to Cambodia, Indonesia, Philippines and Viet Nam. A similar SIP conducted in 2004 covered a number of States in the Bay of Bengal area and included consideration of operational safety matters. This SIP would focus on the South-East Asia area.

2.3 Based on the outcome of the evaluation visits to the States concerned, in the SIP it is proposed that a regional strategy be developed to assist States to establish safety management programmes in accordance with Annex 11. This is essential for implementation of airspace changes and assurance of ongoing safety of operations of the airspaces concerned.

**3 ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1 The meeting is invited to note the SIP project to be carried out during 2005, and the intent of ICAO to develop a regional strategy to assist States to establish safety management programmes in accordance with Annex 11.

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