



- Agenda Item 1: Safety management issues**
1.1 Follow-up on outstanding and corrected deficiencies in the GREPECAS Air Navigation Deficiencies Data Base (GANDD) in the C/CAR Area

REPORT ON GANDD OPERATION FOR CLASSIFICATION OF DEFICIENCIES

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY	
This working paper presents progress concerning the operation of the GREPECAS Air Navigation Deficiencies Database (GANDD) for the CAR Region.	
<i>Strategic Objectives</i>	<i>This working paper is related to Strategic Objective A.</i>

1. Background

1.1 Since October 2004, the procedure to access and use the GREPECAS Air Navigation Deficiencies Database (GANDD) for the CAR/SAM Regions through the web was circulated to States to promote the use of this tool for reporting, reviewing and updating information on air navigation field deficiencies. Up to 2007, the ICAO NACC Regional Office registered limited participation from States concerning the use of the GANDD.

1.2 As a result of the above, and in compliance with GREPECAS Decision 14/60, the NACC Regional Office completely reviewed the procedures and structure of the GANDD application, and substantial improvements were made to achieve a user friendly tool that allows States to report updates to the GANDD more effectively and thereby encouraging its use.

2. Current Situation

2.1 The current GANDD application is based on the requirements of the “Uniform Methodology for the Identification, Assessment and Reporting of Air Navigation Deficiencies” and is divided into two parts consisting of “**Desktop,**” which is the regional management application, and “**Web,**” which is the interface for States to report amendments.

2.2 Bearing in mind the importance of using the GANDD as a tool for the effective and timely reporting of air navigation deficiencies, and considering that Focal Points appointed by States have guidelines and information for its adequate use, the following documents were included on the GANDD's web page in English and Spanish:

- Uniform Methodology for the Identification, Assessment and Reporting of Air Navigation Deficiencies
- Procedure for classifying and addressing "U" Deficiencies in the Air Navigation Field
- GANDD Presentation
- GANDD User's Guide

2.3 Among the changes performed to the GANDD "Desktop" application, and taking into account the way to enter and store information on the database, and the revision to of the reports to be presented at the ASB Meetings, the following appendices were eliminated:

Appendix A	Deficiencies on which the ASB has taken specific action
Appendix B	Deficiencies determined to be region-wide in nature
Appendix C	Deficiencies requiring further research and action
Appendix D	Corrected deficiencies

2.4 The consolidated reports present only un-resolved deficiencies in a single format, and corrected deficiencies are kept in the database solely for statistical purposes.

3. Follow-up on the use of the GANDD through the Web

3.1 Since 2008, with the release of the GANDD Version 2, and constantly encouraging the States' Focal Points to report updates to their deficiencies through this tool, favourable feed-back has been received.

3.2 This consultation process resulted in an efficient use of the GANDD by persons designated as points-of-contact by States/Territories and/or International Organizations.

3.3 During recent months, information on the deficiencies has been received from States/Territories, and after review by ICAO, the GANDD has been updated accordingly. To date, the GANDD presents updated information of valid deficiencies and those that have been corrected or eliminated. The GANDD address is: www.mexico.icao.int (N.B. username and password are required).

3.4 Using the "Uniform Methodology for the Identification, Assessment and Reporting of Air Navigation Deficiencies" approved by the ICAO Council, GREPECAS Conclusion 14/59, and SMS Risk Assessment, several States reported numerous amendments to "U" classified deficiencies. Through corrective measures coordinated with the CAR Region States, several of the "U" deficiencies were eliminated and others were reclassified as "A". The **Appendix** to this working paper presents the outstanding deficiencies of the C/CAR States.

3.5 As a result of GANDD usage by States, identified problems and support requirements have been addressed in a timely manner the Mexico ICAO Regional Office. The States focal points exchange technical requirements with Regional Office periodically. The States should foster measures to correct the deficiencies identified in the GANDD.

4. Suggested action

4.1 The Meeting is invited to:

- a) note the information provided;
- b) promote that States correct the deficiencies identified in the Appendix; and
- c) maintain the information of unresolved deficiencies by submitting regular updates.

APPENDIX

***The Appendix to this working paper will be sent by e-mail to
Registered Participants one week before the Meeting.***

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