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Implementation on Air Navigation Matters

3.3 ANI/WG Progress on AIM, ATM and CNS

ASBU TASK FORCE PROGRESS REPORT

(Presented by the ASBU TF Rapporteur)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	
This Discussion Paper presents a summary of the work of the ASBU AD HOC group and identifies the need for creation of an ASBU Task Force (TF) as part of the ANI/WG. This TF would allow States to focus Planning as a first step to Effective Implementation.	
<i>Strategic Objectives:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safety• Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency• Environmental Protection
<i>References:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ANI/WG/2 Meeting, June 2015• ANI/WG/3 Meeting, April 2016• NACC/DCA/6 Meeting, May 2016

1. Introduction

1.1 At the ANI/WG/2 Meeting (June 2015), an Ad hoc Group was formed to discuss metrics of the ASBU Block 0 implementation status, performance reporting, and revisions to the ANRF to be used by States in the NAM/CAR Regions. In the ANI/WG/2 report, this Ad hoc Group was called ANRF Ad hoc Group. The tasks for the ANRF Ad hoc Group were:

- a) The NAM/CAR States/Territories review and adopt the proposed new ANRFs for application by June 2016;
- b) The NAM/CAR States/Territories assess their status of implementation and report to ICAO NACC Regional Office by 30 July 2016; and
- c) ICAO organize by the first semester of 2016 a hands-on ANS/ASBU ANRF workshop for the use and understanding of the new ANRFs with the participation of CANSO, IATA, Civil Aviation Training Centers and air navigation planning experts.

1.2 At the ANI/WG/3 Meeting (April 2016), the Meeting agreed on a more active participation from the States/ANSP to reflect their national priorities and user's main needs, and therefore agreed on an Ad hoc Group to support review, follow-up and reporting the achievement of the Air Navigation (AN) targets established in the RPBANIP and Port-of-Spain Declaration. During ANI/WG/3, this Ad hoc Group was called ASBU Ad hoc Group. The expected results from this Ad hoc Group are:

- a) Review/follow-up on AN targets to inform the NACC/DCA/6 Meeting;
- b) Comments on improvements to the AN target website/ANRFs/etc.; and
- c) Support for the ASBU implementation Workshop in August 2016.

2. Discussion

2.1 According with ICAO recommendation to States to consider the use of the performance-based decision-making method of the ASBU framework, the workshop emphasized the importance of a performance-based approach and the need for a globally applicable performance-based decision making method by States to define strategies for cost-effective Improvements in air navigation; But at the same time, it brought up the concept also introduced in the GANP of a Planning Approach along with the Implementation, since ASBU incorporates the long term perspective of every air navigation planning document, establishing the need for States to work on their Air Navigation Plans.

2.2 Another emphasized point of the WS, was the need to fill the Air Navigation Report Forms, since they are the mean to keep track of the implementation level at the States. Basically, that was the main task accomplished by the Group during this period of time.

2.3 At the NACC/WG/5, the ASBU Ad hoc group provided the WP16 "ANI/WG (ASBU) AD HOC GROUP PROGRESS REPORT", where it shows the advance from only 5 States Reporting, to 11 States and 1 Territory, out of 21 States and 1 Territory; Furthermore, in WP16 the work and recommendations were:

- a) The NACC Metrics and Targets for ASBU Block 0 Elements was presented;
- b) The ASBU TF website hosted by the ICAO NACC RO was introduced;
- c) Requested the approval of ASBU Ad hoc Group to become the ANI/WG ASBU TF;
- d) Recommended to accept the "NAM ASBU Handbook (the 5th edition or 2016 version) as the NACC ASBU Handbook;
- e) Recommended that the 21 states and 1 territory be supported to prepare the State ANP that is aligned with PBANIP and GANP/ASBU;
- f) Provided the ICAO NACC Block 0 Implementation Status Summary Table that should be feed back to the PBANIP.

3. Conclusions

3.1 Considering that the States' ANP shall provide the baseline to identify the regional needs that will, at the same time, turn into the baseline to progressively update the RPBANIP in a collaborative context; having the ANRFs as a tool to measure the progress in the execution of the plans in the form of impact of the implementations or deviations from the plan, the ASBU TF recommends in addition:

- a) Enhance the ICAO NACC RO hosted ASBU TF website by provide the access to the templates such as the 5th edition ANRFs and implementation status summary table; providing the depository of State specific information only to the relevant states/territory; and providing visual assistance to identify which state/territory has submitted the information; and
- b) Set the NACC Metrics and Targets for ASBU Block 0 Elements collaboratively with the ICAO NACC RO.

4. Suggested Actions

4.1 The Meeting is invited to:

- a) Support the work of the ASBU TF
- b) ASBU TF support all 22 states/territory to submit the State ANP and ANRFs
- c) ICAO NACC host a face to face ASBU TF meeting that provides the hands on exercise to draft the State ANPs and use the 5th edition ANRFs
- d) ASBU TF work with the ICAO NACC RO to revise RPBANIP, incorporating the recommendations provided by the WP22 (Need to adopt independent formants to report the progress of the implementation of regional air navigation targets and improvements by ASBU) and the recommendation made by WP32 (Proposed Amendment of the RPBANIP).