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Agenda Item 3: Follow-up of the Activities of the NACC/WG Task Forces

3.1 Progress of the NACC/WG on Aeronautical Information Management (AIM), Air Traffic Management (ATM) and Communications, Navigation and Surveillance (CNS)

STATUS OF ACTIVITIES OF THE AIDC TASK FORCE

(Presented by the AIDC Task Force Rapporteur)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	
This working paper presents an update on the activities developed by the AIDC Task Force during this past year.	
Action:	Suggested actions are presented in Section 3.
<i>Strategic Objectives:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safety• Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency• Economic Development of Air Transport
<i>References:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fifth NAM/CAR Air Traffic Services Inter-facility Data Communication (AIDC) and North American Interface Control Document (NAM/ICD) Implementation Follow-up Meeting (AIDC/NAM/ICD/5), June 2022. https://www.icao.int/NACC/Pages/meetings-2022-namicd5.aspx

1. Introduction

1.1 The AIDC Task Force has continued to develop its work during these post-pandemic times of reduced activity, although just recently, at the annual meeting, did the group activities begin to return to normal. Several of the members have retired, and their substitutes are now beginning to take over the effort of their predecessors.

2. Discussion

2.1 The AIDC Task Force had a meeting in September, with very low participation, and a face-to-face meeting originally scheduled for March, and that actually took place at the end of June. Between these two meetings, there were no other meetings, and several of the PoCs retired, requiring an update of the membership list.

2.2 The face-to-face meeting in June actually had most of the participants joining virtually, as it was a hybrid meeting. Only United States and Mexico (DGAC) were physically present. Each State, according to their possibilities, has continued to progress in the implementation of AIDC. Some examples are:

1. NAM-ICD Class III, which includes the automatic transfer of control (handoff) has continued to be tested between the United States and Canada
2. Jamaica has continued to test with Cuba
3. COCESNA has been testing and implementing AIDC interfaces with the Central American States, as well as a centralized system for flight plan processing.

2.3 The pending actions have been reviewed, some of them have been taken to the work programme as ongoing actions, and two important topics have been discussed:

1. The consideration of implementing FF-ICE as the next stage for the task force.
2. The eANP volume III, and the performance-based approach.

2.4 These two items will affect how the task force will work from now on, taking into account the conclusions in that regard of this meeting. The common point between these two items is the need for greater and more close interaction of the task forces, in order to achieve the goals to be determined for the new regional plan.

3. Suggested actions

3.1 The Meeting is invited to:

- a) take note of the information provided in this working paper; and
- b) agree to any other actions as deemed appropriate