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Mr. Zulficar Mohamed, Director General, Civil Aviation Authority, Guyana

Mr. Falisie Jozef Pinas, Minister of Transport, Communication and Tourism, Suriname

Subject: RLA/03/901 REDDIG Management System and Administration of the Satellite

Segment - Course on ATS Message Handling System (COM-AMHS) and

Interconnection Aspects (Lima, 16 to 20 July 2012)

Action

required: Your reply by 15 June 2012

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to my letter LN 3/20-SA5339 dated 24 April 2012 requesting your agreement to carry out the Course on the ATS Message Handling System (COM-AMHS) and Interconnection Aspects, as part of the activities of Project RLA/03/901 for this year, which costs would be charged to the project budget as allowed by its allocations.

Since no adverse replies have been received to my above mentioned letter, the Course will be held at the premises of this Regional Office from 16 to 20 July 2012.

The course is designed for the technical and operational personnel in charge of the installation, operation and maintenance of AMHS systems, and will be conducted by a specialist with wide experience in AMHS, from EUROCONTROL's CNS/ATM INSTILUX Training Centre (Luxembourg). Its detailed content is attached as **Appendix A** to this letter.

The course objective is to present information on the technical design of an AMHS system (data networks, server topology, user configuration, routing tables, monitoring and supervision tools, interconnection with other AMHS systems, etc.), as well as on operational topics, such as the design of an addressing and correct routing policy, strategies of flow migration from AFTN to AMHS, and particular attention to the contents related to interconnection of AMHS systems and operating procedures of resolution and escalation of incidences.

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The course is aimed at professional personnel in charge of the installation, maintenance and operation of the AMHS or AFTN systems, and it is expected that, by the end of the event, participants will have increased their knowledge of the AMHS system, acquiring the information necessary to facilitate the interoperability between AMHS systems installed in the region.

In accordance with the above, I am pleased to invite your Administration to nominate candidates if possible no later than **15 June 2012**, by sending the *Registration Form* included as **Appendix B** with the data of each participant and, if applicable, the ICAO *Fellowship Nomination Form* duly completed, (also attached), considering that the reservation of vacancies will be made on a first come first served basis to fill the places available.

To participate in the course, your Administration might consider the following financing alternatives:

- a) Fellowships under an ICAO Project approved by your country;
- b) Availability of a fellowship under the Regional Project RLA/03/901 for each State participating in this project that does not have the previous option. The administration concerned must provide round trip tickets;
- c) Own resources of your Administration, if lacking any of the previous alternatives.

The course documentation will be distributed by electronic means, so it is recommended that participants carry a lap-top.

If further information is required, please contact Mr. Onofrio Smarrelli, CNS Regional Officer, at e-mail osmarrelli@lima.icao.int.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Enclosures

As indicated

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APPENDIX A

PRESENTATION ON ATS MESSAGE HANDLING SYSTEM (COM-AMHS) AND INTERCONNECTION ASPECTS

MODULE 01: THEORY FOR THE USER

1. INTRODUCTION

Module Objectives

The References for this course

2. DATA COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

Seven Layers

Role of Communications in an ATM System

ICAO Data Applications

ATN Upper/Lower Layer Protocols

The move to IP So, what is ATN?

3. MESSAGING AND E-MAIL

What is a Message?

The Postal Analogy

Point to Point Messaging

Store and Forward / Retrieve Messaging

4. ATC MESSAGING AND AFTN

The ATC Requirement for Messaging

Current Messaging Requirements

Messaging Application - an ATC Example

ICAO Protocols and Standards

Services provided by the AFTN

AFTN Procedures

AFTN Addressing

ICAO Regions

Message Formats

AFTN Inter-Centre Communication

AFTN Limitations

Why migrate to AMHS

Benefits of AMHS

The Way Forward

5. X.400: DEFINING THE TERMS

What is MHS?

Standards Development

What is a Message Handling System?

Message Structure

MHS Information Objects

MHS Services

The MHS Architecture

(A)MHS components: (ATS) Message Server (A)MHS components: (ATS) User Agent (A)MHS Components: The Message Store

(A)MHS Components: Access Units

The Journey of a Message Management Domains

ADMDs and PRMDs

AMHS Management Domains

'XX' Country Codes

OR-Address Forms
The Need for Directory Services
Directory Overview
Security Threats
The MHS Security Functional Groups

6. X.400 - THE COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOLS

Connecting MHS System Components

MHS Protocols

Underlying Networks: Physical vs. Logical Connections

AMHS Network over underlying network

Levels of connectivity in the AMHS architecture

Why not SMTP?

7. X.400 - MTS AND IPMS

MTS Functional Groups

Basic MTS Envelope

Delivery Reports

Non-Delivery Reports

The IPMS Elements of Service & IPM Heading

Receipt, Non-Receipt & Other Notifications

8. FROM MHS TO AMHS - ICAO ATN SARPS

AMHS SARPs Development

Basic and Extended Services

Selected Functions of the Extended Services

AMHS components: AFTN/AMHS Gateway

AMHS Message Formats

Message and Report Mappings

Message Field Mappings

Scenarii for an AFTN SS Message

AMHS address types

The A in AMHS

9. STRATEGY

PENS: Pan European Network Services over IP

The PENS - Status

PENS contract signed

COM05

COM05 progress report

Where are we today with AMHS?

HARE Programme

Single European Sky - Messaging

AMHS in SESAR

SWIM and SESAR

Future Communications Infrastructure

10. AMHS IN THE WORLD

AMHS in ASIAPAC

AMHS ASIAPAC Network

Transition - ASIAPAC

AMHS in CARSAM

11. CONCLUSION

Conclusion

Programme

MODULE 02: AMHS SYSTEM DESIGN AND TECHNICAL ISSUES

1. INTRODUCTION

Objectives

2. DRIVERS FOR AFTN MIGRATION

Reminder: Why migrate to AMHS

3. AMHS SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

AMHS System Description

General AMHS Overview

ATSMHS traffic flows

How does an X.400 system work?

AMHS information model

AMHS Objects

Flow of Information Objects in AMHS

AMHS activity over underlying networks

ATM applications over UNDERLYING NETWORKS

Topology of AMHS servers: centralised vs. distributed

Network characteristics determined by topology

European ATS Messaging Profile

AMHS QoS Requirements

4. AMHS SYSTEM DESIGN CRITERIA

Phases for AMHS Deployment

Transaction Examples

Technical Criteria

Modular Solution

Scalable and Portable Solution

5. AMHS USER TYPES

Evolution/Migration of Users

TYPE of ATM COMs SERVICES

Objectives for the User Migration Process

How does a User Agent Work?

What does the User do?

... and what tools does the user have?

UA: Free Text Format Message

UA: Auto-Formatting AIS Messages

UA: Auto-Formatting ATS Messages

UA: Auto-Formatting MET Messages

UA: Non Delivery Reports (NDR)

UA: Receipt Notifications (RN)

UA: Tracking Sent Messages

UA: Filtering Tool

UA: Message Backup

AU: Access Unit

Logical Connections for the ICARO/AMHS Solution

Access Unit: EAD Solution

EURONOTAM (I): COMMUNICATIONS FLOW EURONOTAM (II): PHYSICAL TOPOLOGY

Exercises

6. AMHS SYSTEM MANAGEMENT TOOLS

Support Levels

Main AMHS Management Tools

High Level Administration Tool (HILA) (1)

HILA (2): Users and Adjacent MTAs

HILA (3): Local Users Administration

HILA (4): Adjacent MTAs Admin

HILA (5): Routing Table Administration

Local and Central Supervision

SNMP Alarms Supervision

End-to-End View Based on SNMP

Tracking Tool (1)

Tracking Tool (2): Web-based Administration Tool

Tracking Tool (3): Search Criteria

Tracking Tool (4): Results

Messaging Activity Monitor (1)

Messaging Activity Monitor (2): Users' View

Messaging Activity Monitor (3): Adjacent MTA's View

Messaging Activity Monitor (4): Alarms View

Messaging Activity Monitor (5): Global View

UA Archive: Control Position AMHS Queue Monitoring

Historical Data Storage Manager

Statistics

Time Synchronisation: Network Time Protocol NTP

Remote Monitoring

7. AMHS COMMON FACILITIES

Common Facilities

Pan-European IP Network: PENS

Example: Madrid-Frankfurt IP Connection

PENS current situation

MAIN OBJECTIVES AND BENEFITS OF PENS

POTENTIAL PENS USERS

CONSIDERATIONS About SWIM, AMHS and PENS

Transition Plan IPv4/IPv6

Protocol Stacks for Transition-Phase AMHS Applications

Management Center (CMC)

EUR/NAT COM Chart

ATS Messaging Management Centre (AMC)

Directory Services

Name Resolution

Address Conversion

UA: Directory Query

Inter-Regional Gateways

An MTA with Dual Stacks

SITA TYPE B / AMHS Gateway (1): Initial Situation

SITA TYPE B / AMHS Gateway (2): Message Migration

AMHS Security

Testing and Training Facilities

Examples of Testing Tools

Human resources analysis for IP/AMHS interoperability activities

Platform Standardization Test

MODULE 03: AMHS OPERATIONAL ISSUES

1. AMHS OPERATIONAL ISSUES

Main AMHS Operational Issues

AMHS Addressing: CAAS

AMHS Addressing: XF

AMHS Addressing: CAAS and XF AMHS Addressing: CAAS vs. XF How to define a national CAAS scheme

AMHS Addressing Registry

XF Address Conversion: Use of the ICAO registry CAAS Addr. Conversion: Use of the ICAO registry

Global AMHS Address Registration

International Topology and Routing Strategy

Conversion between an AMHS IPM and an AFTN message

Mapping priorities

Conversion of AFTN Service Messages

Acknowledgement of SS-priority messages

Reception of an AMHS message with ATS-Message-header SS and RN not requested

Reception of an AMHS message with ATS-Message-header no SS and RN requested

Reception of RN with subject message not generated by the AFTN/AMHS GW

AMHS to AFTN Direction (reception of a Non-Receipt-Notification)

Message rejection due to the use of an unknown addressee indicator or recipient

Rejection of an AFTN-to-AMHS message: Transfer of NDR to the control position

Reception of NDR with subject message not generated by the AFTN/AMHS GW

AFTN to AMHS direction: Unsuccessful conversion of addressee indicator in incomi

AFTN to AMHS Direction (unsuccessful conversion of origin OGN indicator)

AMHS to AFTN Direction (unsuccessful conversion)

AMHS to AFTN Direction (non-delivery and out-of-line situations)

Legal AMHS Recording

Legacy Procedures

Management of MTA names and passwords

Associations between MTAs: Dialogue mode

Simultaneous P1 associations

Application and network timers optimization

AMHS operational issues

2. OPERATIONAL AFTN MIGRATION TO AMHS

AFTN to AMHS Migration

Decisions during AMHS Planning

Pre-requisite tasks

Tasks to be performed with every AMHS COM centre

Testing phases

Preoperational scenario

Details of the preoperational phase

AFTN Flows migration to AMHS: Objectives

AFTN Flows migration to AMHS: Initial situation

AFTN Flows migration to AMHS: Step 1

AFTN Flows migration to AMHS: Step 2

AFTN Flows migration to AMHS: Step 3

AFTN Flows migration to AMHS: Step 4a

AFTN Flows migration to AMHS: Step 4b

Operational AFTN migration to AMHS

Interconnection considerations

3. THE FIRST PROJECT ACTIVITIES

Current Status

FIRST

Outcomes of the FIRST Team

First Operational IP Link: MADRID-FRANKFURT

FIRST Team: Testing Structure FIRST Team: Testing Development

4. CONCLUSION, DOCUMENTATION AND GLOSSARY

ICAO documentation

AMHS SARPs sub-volume 3

Need for Amendment to SARPS (PDRs)

Glossary Conclusion



APPENDIX B /APÉNDICE B

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION ORGANIZACIÓN DE AVIACIÓN CIVIL INTERNACIONAL

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PRESENTATION ON ATS MESSAGE HANDLING SYSTEM (COM-AMHS) AND INTERCONNECTION ASPECTS / PRESENTACIÓN SOBRE EL SISTEMA DE MANEJO DE MENSAJES ATS (COM-AMHS) Y ASPECTOS DE INTERCONEXIÓN

Lima, Peru, 16 to 20 July 2012 / Lima, Perú, 16 al 20 de julio de 2012

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