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FIRST MEETING OF THE AFI AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT/
METEOROLOGY TASK FORCE (AFI ATM/MET TF/1)
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**Agenda 5 Review of the Terms of Reference (TOR) and Work Programme of the
ATM/MET Task Force**

**REVIEW OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR) AND WORK PROGRAMME
OF THE ATM/MET TASK FORCE**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents the terms of reference and work programme of the AFI ATM/MET Task Force as established by APIRG, for review and amendment as necessary. It also provides for the tentative dates and venue for the next Task Force meeting to be proposed by the meeting.

Action by the meeting is at **paragraph 3**.

REFERENCES

APIRG/17 & APIRG/18 Reports

This Working Paper is related to Strategic Objectives: **A & C**

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The meeting will recall APIRG Conclusion 17/84 establishing a *Core Team of Experts* to collect and study information on the impact of the global Air Traffic Management Operational Concept on the provision of Aeronautical Meteorological Services in the AFI Region, and recognizing the additional work envisaged to the planning and response for volcanic ash, it agreed on the dissolution of the Core Team of Experts and the establishment of a Meteorology/Air Traffic Management Task Force (MET/ATM/TF). It was also agreed that, as a minimum, all AFI States which have active or dormant volcanoes should be members of the Task Force.

1.2 The meeting may also recall that in view of the above, APIRG/18 formulated the following Decision:

DECISION 18/13: ESTABLISHMENT OF THE AFI ATM/MET TASK FORCE

That the Core Team of experts established under APIRG Decision 17/84 is dissolved, and the AFI ATM/MET Task Force be established with the terms of reference and work programme as at Appendix 3.2H to the report on agenda item 3.2.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 In light of the activities of the Task Force and development in the implementation of volcanic ash contingency plans by the States, as well as discussions under previous agenda items, the meeting may wish to consider revision of the terms of Reference of the AFI ATM/MET Task Force in order to reflect more accurately the work programme that needs to be executed by the group. The Task Force may determine the composition of the Task Force through additional members if this will enhance the outcome of the work programme.

2.2 The AFI ATM/MET Task Force may also wish to identify the dates, venue and tentative agenda for its next meeting.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

The meeting is invited to:

- a) note the information provided in this working paper;
- b) review and if necessary adjust the terms of reference and work programme at Appendix A to this working paper, and
- c) propose dates, venue and tentative agenda for the next AFI ATM/MET Task Force meeting.
