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THIRD MEETING OF THE AFI FLIGHT PLAN TRANSITION TASK FORCE

(FPLT TF/3)

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Agenda item 3: Review of implementation implications and development of implementation strategy, plan and guidance.

Amendment 1 regulatory requirements

(Presented by AAC – Cape Verde)

SUMMARY	
<p>The National Performance Objective - Implementation of the New ICAO FPL Provisions by 15 November 2012, as per appendix 3C of the FPLT TF/2 Report, includes tasks to ensure corresponding Regulatory Compliance. This working paper addresses the issue and informs about actions taken by Cape Verde on the promulgation of regulatory requirements related to Amendment 1 to PANS-ATM implementation.</p>	
Strategic Objective:	<p>A – Safety</p> <p>D: Efficiency</p> <p>E: Continuity</p>
GPI: 5, 9, 11, 17, 18	

1. Introduction

In order to ensure regulatory compliance related to the implementation of Amendment 1 to the 15th Edition of the PANS-ATM, Doc 4444 (referred to simply as ‘Amendment 1’ in the remainder of this working paper), several tasks were listed by the FPLT Task Force, including the identification of activities, the promulgation of “regulatory requirements to enable aspects of Amendment 1 as well as Regional Strategy”, assignment of responsibilities and update of regulatory requirements including issue of AIC’s as applicable.

2. Description

On the subject of Amendment 1 implementation Cape Verde has produced a Technical Circular in order to inform all interested parties about the relevant aspects and calling for the complete adoption of the text as published by ICAO, i.e., the overall implementation shall provide for adequate adherence to Amendment 1 provisions.

The Technical Circular points out that significant issues have been identified with AIDC and/or OLDI messaging in NEW format, as the ANSPs will have to update the interface with AIDC/OLDI connected States to include the item 10 and 18 changes that are utilized in at least messages for CPL, ABI, PAC, MAC and CDN as an option field.

Further, the Technical Circular draws attention to the need of updating the AMHS user interface, in order to be able to handle the contents in NEW format.

Finally, some considerations are made about the issue of format Converters, that are being offered from vendors in some regions and might be considered as an option in some specific cases to handle transition aspects of systems, as they migrate from PRESENT to NEW format of the ICAO Flight Plan.

3. Coordination with Aircraft Operators

A Meeting was scheduled and held with senior personnel representing Aircraft Operator in Cape Verde in order to draw their attention and foster awareness on Amendment 1 impacts on airlines flight planning and dispatch, operator systems readiness, crew instruction and participation in trials related to the NEW format, as planned from July 2012 onwards in several regions. As a matter of fact, representatives of the Operator stated that they had not been aware of Amendment 1 and that the first contact ever with the matter occurred at this venue.

4. Point of Contact

Cape Verde (Sal Oceanic FIR - GVSC) assigned as “Point of Contact” for Amendment 1 Implementation issues the following person:

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5. Action by the FPLT TF/3 Meeting

The FPLT TF/3 Meeting is invited to:

- a) take note of the information presented in this working paper.