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Agenda Item 10: Civil/Military Coordination

CIVIL/MILITARY COOPERATION AND COORDINATION

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents overview of developments in civil/military cooperation and coordination, as well as information on follow up to the Global Air Traffic Management Forum on Civil/Military Cooperation convened at ICAO HQ in Montreal, Canada from 19 to 21 October 2009, to foster implementation.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

REFERENCES

AFI 7 Report
Assembly Resolution A37-15 Appendix O.
APIRG/17 Report
Cir 330

This Working Paper is related to Strategic Objectives: A

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The meeting will recall that provisions relating to the subject of coordination of civil air traffic with military activities is covered in a number of ICAO documents, in particular: the Convention (Article 3) Annexes 2, 11 and 15, PANS ATM (Doc 4444), Air Traffic Services Planning Manual (Doc 9426), Manual Concerning Safety Measures Relating to Military Activities Potentially Hazardous to Civil Aircraft Operations (Doc 9554) and Manual concerning Interception of Civil Aircraft (Doc 9433).

1.2 The Global Air Traffic Management Forum on Civil/Military Cooperation was successfully convened at ICAO HQ in Montreal, Canada from 19 to 21 October 2009. The event was held as a follow up to Recommendations of the Eleventh Air Navigation Conference (Doc 9828, Rec. 1/2) concerning coordination with military authorities with a view to achieving enhanced airspace organization and management and as an integral supporting

mechanism of the successful series of civil/military air traffic management summits instituted by the Air Traffic Control Association (ATCA).

1.3 Furthermore, the Forum was a follow up to ICAO Assembly Resolution A37-15, Appendix O, *Coordination of civil and military air traffic* wherein States were asked to take appropriate action to coordinate with military authorities to implement a flexible and cooperative approach to airspace organization and management. The event was intended to create awareness among civil and military policy makers and regulators, civil and military air navigation service providers (ANSPs) and civil and military airspace users, on the need to improve civil/military cooperation and coordination in support of an optimum use of airspace by all users.

1.4 The AFI 7 RAN Meeting in 1997 formulated Recommendation 5/3 – Civil/Military coordination, inter alia, urging States to take a number of measures including establishment of appropriate civil/military bodies, informing military authorities about ICAO provisions, and arranging permanent liaison and close coordination between civil ATS units and relevant military units.

1.5 The 37th Session of Assembly adopted Resolution 37-15: on the *Consolidated statement of continuing ICAO policies and associated practices related specifically to air navigation*, which is reviewed and updated as necessary at every Assembly Session for which a Technical Commission is established. Appendix O of the Resolution, the text of which has been reproduced at **Appendix A** to this working paper concerns Coordination of Civil and Military Air Traffic.

1.6 Pursuant to outcome of the Global Air Traffic Management Forum on Civil/Military Cooperation, guidance on civil/military cooperation in air traffic management has been developed with the support of civil and military experts from various States and organizations and published as Circular 330 (Cir 330, *Civil Military Cooperation in Air Traffic Management*, Order Number: Cir330 - ISBN 978-92-9231-693-8)

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The Sub-Group may recall that the Global Air Traffic Management Forum in Montreal, Canada 2009 suggested that in order to support improvements with regard to the cooperation between the authorities and air navigation service providers (ANSPs), military representatives should participate in ICAO meetings, seminars and other related events as part of delegations of States in order to promote and foster cooperation implementation.

2.2 As a further follow-up to outcome of the Forum, the 37th Assembly approved for the triennium 2011-2013 five regional seminars/workshops on civil/military cooperation to roll-out the guidance material in Civil/Military Cooperation in Air Traffic Management (Cir 330) in all ICAO regions. The AFI Region seminar is scheduled to be convened in Nairobi, Kenya in **January/February 2013** time frame. The seminar will be a Special Implementation Project (SIP).

2.3 An invitation letter to the Seminar will be issued in the last quarter of 2012. However, States are invited to take the opportunity of this information to undertake long term planning, as well as inform and request the State military authorities to also plan and prepare

to participate at the most appropriate levels in this seminar. The most successful outcome of the seminar is only possible if both civil ATM and military authorities participate.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) note the information contained in this working paper;
- b) access the Cir 330 which is available on the ICAO website (<http://www.icao.int/icaonet/>);
- c) inform relevant military authorities of the 2013 seminar; and
- d) share the guidance material (Cir 330) as well as other ICAO civil/military coordination and cooperation from the Assembly, RAN Meetings and APIRG.
