

**INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

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To: Secretary General

cc: President of the Council  
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ICAORD, Dakar

From: ICAORD, Nairobi

Subject: **Executive Summary Report on AFI Planning and Implementation Regional Group Extraordinary Meeting (APIRG/EO) ((Lusaka, Zambia, 10-11 July 2014)**

Please find attached hereto an Executive Summary Report on AFI Planning and Implementation Regional Group Extraordinary Meeting (APIRG/EO) which was held in Lusaka, Zambia, from 10 to 10 July 2014.


Regards,

  
**Meshesha Belayneh**

**Attachment:** Executive Summary Report

**MISSION REPORT  
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Mission Report by:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meshesha Belayneh, RD, ESAF RO &amp; APIRG Secretary</li> <li>• Michiel Vreedenburgh, C/IMP, ANB</li> <li>• Gaoussou Konate, DRD, WACAF RO</li> <li>• Prosper Zo'o Minto'o, DRD, ESAF RO</li> </ul>	Date: 15 July 2014
Dates of Mission:	10 -11 July 2014	
Place(s) of Mission:	Lusaka, Zambia	
Purpose of Mission, including meeting attended, if applicable:	<p>To hold the Extraordinary Meeting of APIRG and present the proposals developed by the Secretariat for the structural transformations of the Group aimed at improving effectiveness of regional implementation projects, in accordance with APIRG/19 Decision 19/48 (APIRG Re-organization). The meeting was hosted by Zambia.</p> <p>The following Regional Officers also serviced the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• François-Xavier Salambanga, RO/CNS, WACAF Office, Dakar;</li> <li>• Seboeso Machobane, RO/ATM/SAR, ESAF Office, Nairobi; and</li> <li>• Arthemon Ndikumana, RO/AGA, ESAF Office, Nairobi</li> </ul>	
Officials met:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dr. Roland C. Msiska, Secretary to the Cabinet</li> <li>2. Mrs. Margret Miyoba, Permanent Secretary Administration at Cabinet Office</li> <li>3. Mr. Jimmy B. Zulu, Chairman of the Board, Zambia CAA</li> <li>4. Mr. Gabriel Lesa, Director General, Zambia CAA</li> <li>5. Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons of the APIRG</li> <li>6. 120 delegates from 19 AFI States and 5 regional organizations</li> </ol>	
Mission Outcome: (in brief, including objectives/results achieved)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Secretary to the Cabinet delivered an opening address to the meeting.</li> <li>2. The Secretariat presented two options to the meeting, based on combinations of the Performance Improvements Areas (PIAs) of Aviation System Block Upgrades (ASBUs).</li> <li>3. The meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• agreed to reduce the number of APIRG contributory bodies from 23 discipline-oriented bodies currently to 4 performance-based bodies in the new structure. These include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ two Sub-groups;</li> <li>○ one Projects Coordination Committee; and</li> <li>○ one Traffic Forecasting Group.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• agreed that APIRG will identify projects from applicable ASBU modules and regional performance objectives to be addressed by the Sub-groups, through project teams of qualified experts from States and relevant organizations;</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• requested the Secretariat to finalize: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the terms of reference of the new contributory bodies based on guidance provided by the meeting, and</li> <li>○ consequential amendments to the APIRG Procedural Handbook to reflect the new structure and working methods of the Group;</li> </ul> </li> <li>• discussed transitional arrangements to ensure continuity of the work of APIRG, while preparing the operationalization of the new structure and working methods, including identification and prioritization of relevant projects. The transition period will end at the next meeting of the APIRG in 2015.</li> </ul> <p>4. The meeting was also updated on recent developments in the areas of navigation and safety, including transition to new Regional Air Navigation Plans (eANPs) to be approved in 2015; and RASG-AFI Go-Team Project on runway safety.</p>		
Follow-up actions or other information:	<p>The ICAO ESAF and WACAF Regional Offices will continue to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• foster implementation of APIRG work programmes, with focus on regionally agreed priorities and targets; and</li> <li>• facilitate preparatory activities towards the operationalization of the new APIRG organizational structure at the next meeting of the Group.</li> </ul>		
Report seen by:	<p>Meshesha Belayneh: </p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1061 952 1436 1064"> <tr> <td data-bbox="1061 952 1189 1064">Date:</td> <td data-bbox="1189 952 1436 1064">15/07/2014</td> </tr> </table>	Date:	15/07/2014
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