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**First Meeting of the APIRG Airspace and Aerodrome Operations Sub-Group
(AAO SG/1)
(Dakar, Senegal, 29 to 31 May 2017)**

Agenda Item 7: Terms of Reference (TOR), Composition and Future Work Programme of the Airspace and Aerodrome Operations Sub-Group

**TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR), COMPOSITION AND FUTURE WORK
PROGRAMME OF THE AIRSPACE AND AERODROME OPERATIONS SUB-
GROUP**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents the Terms of Reference, Composition and Work Programme of the AAO Sub-Group as endorsed by the APIRG/20 Meeting and proposes review and update as necessary to cater for new developments in the fields of AGA, ATM and SAR.

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

REFERENCES

- APIRG/20 Report
- JMAASG Report

This Working Paper is related to Strategic Objective: **A**

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Meeting will recall APIRG Decisions 19/48 (*Re-organization of APIRG*) and EO/01 (*Restructuring and Reorganization of APIRG*) establishing the new structure of APIRG and its Contributory Bodies. The objective was to have in place a new structure that would improve effectiveness regional implementation projects within the AFI Region.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The APIRG/EO Meeting has agreed on the establishment of the Airspace and Aerodrome Operations Sub-Group (AAO/SG) to facilitate the effective coordination between various areas of the ANS and AGA and the Infrastructure and Information Management Sub-Group (IIM/SG).

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2.2 The Joint Meeting of the Air Traffic Management/Aeronautical Information Management/ Search and Rescue Sub-Group (ATM/AIM/SAR/SG) and the Aerodrome Operations Planning Sub-Group (AOP/SG) (JMAASG) held in Nairobi, Kenya, 5-8 July 2016, noted that the process for formal nomination of States officials during the APIRG/20 Meeting did not take place in accordance with the APIRG Handbook. In order to facilitate the institutionalization of new structure, the JMAASG was tasked with identifying officials to form part of the AAO/SG, taking into consideration the terms of reference and work programme of the Sub-Group.

2.3 In accordance with normal practice within APIRG subsidiary bodies, the meeting may wish to review and update the terms of reference (TOR) of the AAO Sub-Group as reflected in **Appendix A** to this working paper. The meeting is also called upon to review and update the work programme of the AAO Sub-Group and its Project Teams, taking into consideration the discussions under previous agenda items.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) Note the information provided in this working paper;
- b) review and if necessary update the terms of reference of the AAO Sub-Group at **Appendix A** to this working paper; and
- c) review and update the work programme of the AAO Sub-Group.
