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Agenda Item 6: SAT Handbook (SAT Terms of Reference, SAT Working

Methodology & Arrangements, Rules of procedures of SAT meetings, SAT Contributory Bodies, Composition of the Group, Reporting) and

Future Work programme of the SAT Group (Plenary session)

6. WORKING STRUCTURE AND ARRANGEMENTS OF THE SAT GROUP

(Presented by ENAIRE)

SUMMARY

This working paper presents a proposal to modify FIT/CNMC for a better achievement of SAT meetings

Related ICAO Strategic Objective(s):

The working paper relates to the Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency Strategic Objective of ICAO.

1. Introduction

1.1 This paper re-examines the working structure and arrangements of the SAT Group and its associated SAT/FIT and CNMC bodies in order to provide efficient arrangements and achieve the overall objective of the SAT Group being improvements in the provision of air traffic services over the South Atlantic.

2. Discussion

2.1 The Fans Interoperability Team (FIT) was created by SAT group in support of the programs for implementation and coordination of FANS1 (ADS-CPDCL) in the EUR/SAM Corridor. Up to day, apart from of any normal systems troubleshooting, FANS is a mature surveillance-monitoring tool in all

EUR/SAM corridor States, and also in the majority of SAT region States.

- 2.2 Now is the time to use this FANS tool in the benefit of EUR/SAM and SAT operations using it, for example, to achieve optimal longitudinal separations following ICAO Doc 4444.
- 2.3 Although some of the FIT task, as periodic CFRA FANS report regarding ADS-CPDLC traffic statistics in the corridor, must be maintained, the main purpose of FIT creation (Coordination for Implementation of FANS) is already done, while new issues -mainly PBCS and ADS-B- will need a higher attention in the next years.
- 2.4 Traditionally, our SAT/FIT/CNMC takes five days to share between three different meetings, and it is clear that three days for SAT meeting has become too short for the huge amount of issues to face.
- 2.5 Something similar occurs with CNMC, as CAFSAT Network basis and agreements are already established. Moreover, some meetings have been celebrated between CNMC States just when needed despite of SAT/CNMC- so the CAFSAT matters could be included in SAT CNS subgroup.

3. Action Required:

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to:
 - a) Note the information provided;
 - b) Include FIT and CNMC issues in SAT ATM WG and SAT CNS WG agendas; and
 - c) Amend and restructure the working arrangements, agendas and meeting dates of SAT/FIT and CNMC future meetings to be part of the SAT Group agenda items and working arrangements.

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