Virtual Workshop on the establishment of an effective Search and Rescue (SAR) organization

AFI SAR Conclusions and Performance Indicators and Targets

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Presentation Outline

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Conclusion 20/10: Search and Rescue (SAR)

That:

a) States be urged to conclude SAR agreements under Regional frameworks to facilitate operational cooperation and efficiency; and

b) The Secretariat should follow up on APIRG/19 Conclusion 19/21, on SAR Data Collection and Development and Management of an AFI SAR Web Page and 19/22 on Establishment of SAR Team of Experts and SAR Support Project and report progress to APCC and subsequently present a status report to the next Meeting of APIRG (APIRG/21).
Lomé Declaration and Action Plan Targets

- States shall ensure that a legal framework is established for a sustainable and adequate funding mechanism of SAR systems and services. **Dec 2018**
- States shall ensure that the necessary Bilateral/Multilateral SAR Agreements as required in Annex12 to the Chicago Convention are negotiated, signed and implemented with all neighbouring and adjacent Search and Rescue Regions (SRR) and Flight Information Regions. **Dec 2018**
- States shall endeavour to negotiate, sign and implement Multilateral Agreements with as many Partner States and organizations that can combine efficient Search and Rescue Operations pooling resources and skills. **Dec 2018**
- States shall encourage the signing of internal agreements with entities that can support SAR services. **Dec 2018**
Lomé Declaration and Action Plan Targets

- States shall organise multi-agencies, multi-States and combined Regional SAR exercises to test SAR systems in place involving as many SAR units as practicable. Dec 2019
- States should take advantage of Regional Economic Communities platform such as ECOWAS, UEMOA, CEMAC, EAC, ECCAS, SADC, COMESA, UMA or other sub-regional arrangements to establish Sub-regional, harmonized SAR arrangements. Dec 2019
- States should develop and implement training programmes and plans for capacity building of search and rescue personnel, including those involved in the oversight of SAR. Dec 2018
- States should establish a Joint Rescue Coordination Centre (JRCC) to coordinate aeronautical and maritime SAR operations where is practicable, and pooling resources (human, assets, funding, etc.). Dec 2019
Abuja Safety Targets (ANS): Search and Rescue

All AFI States to establish effective and operational SAR organization by:

- Developing SAR National Plan by end of 2018;
- Concluding SAR Agreements / MoUs with all neighboring States by end of 2018;
- Organising multi-agency, multi-State and combined Regional SAR exercises to test SAR systems in place involving as many SAR units as practicable by end of 2019.
APIRG Conclusion 22/09: Follow-up on the AFI Plan SAR Projects for AFI States

a) AFI States:
   i. Expedite the development and operationalisation of their SAR plans, which should include State agencies that would be involved with supporting SAR operation;
   
   ii. Coordinate directly with the authorities responsible for SAR in adjacent States and arrange for signing of their SAR agreements as soon as practicable and inform ESAF and WACAF Regional Offices;
   
   iii. Use Regional Economic Communities (RECs) frameworks to pursue signing of outstanding SAR agreements where high level intervention is required;

b) Having adequate SAR expertise and resources to assist other States, upon request, in improving their SAR organisation and capabilities; and

c) IATA / Airlines include SAR requirements as part of their pre-operational assessment and technical panels/missions to States/ANSPs.
ICAO Business Plan 2020 - 2022

- 60% of States to develop national SAR plans, sign letters of agreements (LOAs) and conduct multi-State SAR exercises 100% by 2022;
- Workshops/seminars on implementation of SAR requirements in coordination with adjacent regions (WACAF, APAC and MID);
- Conduct interregional SAR coordination workshops; and
- 48 AFI States assisted through four workshops in coordination with ESAF by end of 2022.
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