



**STUDY NOTE**

**MEETING OF THE METEOROLOGY PANEL (METP)  
WORKING GROUP MOG**

**THIRD MEETING**

**Gatwick, London, United Kingdom, 13 to 17 June 2016**

**Agenda Item 3: Matters relating to SADIS**

**3.3.2: Operational efficacy of the SADIS – 2015/16**

**UPDATE TO SADIS USER GUIDE**

(Presented by the SADIS Provider State)

**SUMMARY**

This paper proposes a significant update to the SADIS User Guide, primarily as a consequence of the cessation of the SADIS 2G service on 31 July 2016.

Action by the METP-WG/MOG is in paragraph 5.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 The group will recall that the SADIS 2G service is due to be withdrawn on the 31 July 2016. As a consequence, the SADIS acronym itself will be re-defined to mean 'Secure Aviation Data Information Service', effective 1 August 2016.

1.2 In light of the above changes, significant updates are required to both the SADIS User Guide, and the currently extant Secure SADIS FTP User Guide'

**2. DISCUSSION**

2.1 Whilst the changes to the provision of SADIS (cessation of SADIS 2G and re-definition of the SADIS Acronym) are easy to state, the impact in terms of documentation is non-trivial.

2.2 After due deliberation, the SADIS Provider considered that fully amalgamating the existing SADIS User Guide (predominantly focussed on SADIS 2G) and the Secure SADIS FTP User Guide was not necessarily the optimum solution.

2.3 Primarily this was due the (original) SADIS User Guide describing policy elements of the service; whilst the Secure SADIS FTP User Guide is a more technical document. In addition, it was felt

that the 'technical' content may change more frequently than policy content; and, finally, full amalgamation would result in a very large document.

2.4 Consequently, the SADIS Provider with assistance and support from the SADIS Gateway Provider and the WIFS Provider, considered that an appropriate evolution of the SADIS User Guide would be to publish as 'Part 1 – General and Administrative' and 'Part 2 – Technical'. Whilst each is intended to be read in conjunction with the other, it is anticipated that Part 2 may be updated more frequently than Part 1.

2.5 The proposed documents, with tracked changes, are provided as separate attachments A and B.

### 3. DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES

3.1 For this particular 'update' to the SADIS User Guide, the meeting will note the numerous and far reaching changes that are considered necessary.

3.2 Primarily, the changes involve removing all (except necessary historical) references to SADIS 2G; to any references/appendices that pertain only to SADIS 2G; re-defining the 'SADIS' acronym; replacing references to 'Secure SADIS FTP Service' with 'SADIS FTP (since 'Secure' and 'Service' are now explicit part of the definition of SADIS); deletion of substantial duplication; re-numbering of sections/appendices; and of course substantial updates to cross references. Some updates have also been necessary to reflect the additional WAFS GRIB2 levels that will be made available on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2016, and to reflect a number of more minor changes to the service as well as editorial improvements.

3.3 Since there are too many changes to document in detail in either this Study Note, or indeed in the 'record of changes' of the SADIS User Guide (Part 1 and Part 2) itself, it is further proposed that this update be considered to be a new 'edition', therefore making it the 'Sixth' such edition of the guide.

### 4. CONCLUSION

4.1 The SADIS Provider, following consultation with the SADIS Gateway Provider and the WIFS Provider, proposes a substantial update to the current SADIS User Guide to reflect, primarily, the cessation of the SADIS 2G service.

4.2 It is proposed that the new SADIS User Guide be presented as two 'Parts', as described in the preceding sections.

4.3 The SADIS Provider welcomes feedback and suggestions for further changes/updates to the SADIS User Guide, for incorporation as necessary. Notwithstanding additional changes proposed by the group, the meeting is invited to formulate the following draft Conclusion;

#### **Conclusion 3/xx — Sixth Edition of the SADIS User Guide (Part 1 and Part 2)**

That, the update to the SADIS User Guide, as presented to the WG-MOG/3 meeting, be endorsed for formal publication.

*Note 1:- The updated guide will form two parts: 'Part 1 – General and Administrative' and 'Part 2 – Technical'.*

*Note 2:- As a substantial change to the preceding version, the updated guide will be considered to be a new 'Edition', namely the 'Sixth'.*

**5. ACTION BY THE METP-WG/MOG**

5.1 The METP-WG/MOG is invited to:

- a) note the information contained in this paper; and
- b) decide on the draft conclusion proposed for the group's consideration.



**ATTACHMENT A AND B**

**Proposed updates to the SADIS User Guide are presented as separate attachments A and B.**

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