



COMPREHENSIVE REGIONAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR AVIATION SAFETY IN AFRICA (AFI PLAN)

NINTH AFI PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Montréal, 30 April-1 May 2012

Agenda Item 2: ICAO Plans of Actions for States on the review of the MARB.

(Presented by the Secretary)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This paper presents information related to the development, presentation to States and implementation of tailored-action plans to assist States under the review of the Monitoring and Assistance and Review Board (MARB).

In close collaboration with relevant ICAO Bureaux, the Regional Office Safety Teams (ROSTs) developed ICAO Plans of Actions tailored to each State under the review of the MARB. The plans developed have already been submitted to States and implementation activities were initiated following the approval by the States.

Action: The Steering Committee is invited to:

- a) note the information contained in the paper; and
- b) provide further instructions for the continued implementation of the ICAO Plans of Actions tailored to the needs and situations of the States under the review of the MARB in line with column 8 (Action required from the meeting) of Attachment A.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 During its eighth meeting, the Steering Committee noted that there was a process in place for the development of ICAO Plans of Actions tailored to the needs and situation of each State and was also informed of the status of development and presentation of the ICAO Plans of Actions to States.

1.2 The Steering committee further requested the Secretary General to undertake, in coordination with AFCAC and other partners and subject to acceptance by the States, implementation of the actions identified under the Plans.

1.3 The present paper summarizes the progress made in the development, presentation and implementation of the ICAO Plans of Actions tailored to the needs and situations of States under the review of the MARB since the eighth meeting of the AFI Plan Steering Committee.

2. SUMMARY OF PROGRESS FROM NOVEMBER 2011 – MARCH 2012

2.1 **Attachment A** to this discussion paper provides a list of States under the review of the MARB together with an update on the status of development, presentation and implementation of the ICAO Plans of Actions.

2.2 The ICAO Plans of Actions are generally divided into three phases: **immediate, near and long term**. In the immediate term, the objective is to address the major safety deficiencies by using Regional Office Safety Teams (ROSTs) and/or AFCAC Cooperative Inspectorate Scheme (AFI-CIS). The near term period is generally a continuation of the implementation of the State's Corrective Action Plan (CAP) which will continue to address the remaining deficiencies by using mostly AFI-CIS. The duration of each term is determined by the level of implementation of the CAP and availability of other individual and regional resources. The long term period is intended to provide a platform for ICAO and the State to continue to monitor the situation on an on-going basis to promote aviation safety and ensure that the State maintains its ability to comply with safety oversight requirements. This is mainly through projects (TCB or any other arrangements by the State) which will allow the State to develop capacity.

2.3 As of 19 April 2012, ICAO Plans of Actions have been developed for all States under the review of the MARB. Furthermore, the ICAO Plans of Actions tailored to the needs and situations of each State have been presented to 12 States in ESAF and 8 in WACAF.

2.4 With regard to acceptance of the ICAO Plans of Actions, 11 States in ESAF and 6 in WACAF have formally indicated their acceptance of the proposed Plans.

2.5 The objectives of the Regional Office Safety Teams (ROSTs) implementation activities are to specifically assist States in the implementation of the CAP in specific areas such as AGA, AIR, ANS, PEL, and OPS based on the needs identified during the initial evaluation and that served as a basis for the development of the ICAO Plans of Actions.

2.6 Implementation activities of the ROSTs have been conducted in 5 States (Comoros, Madagascar, Mozambique, Rwanda and Zambia) in ESAF and in 9 States (Benin, Cameroon, The Central African Republic, Congo, DRC, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Mauritania and Sierra Leone) in WACAF to initiate the implementation of the immediate phase of the accepted ICAO Plans of Actions.

2.7 The implementation of the ICAO Plans of Actions has now matured to near-term phase for some States and they are now ready for other interventions (One state in ESAF and One State in WACAF).

2.8 It should be noted that since the Eighth meeting of the Steering Committee ICAO Coordinated Validation Missions (ICVM) have been conducted in Mali and Benin and is confirmed for one State (Madagascar) in ESAF and for two States (DRC and Gabon) in WACAF.

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DISCUSSION PAPER 2 - ICAO Plans of Actions for States under the review of MARB

ATTACHMENT A – Status of Development, Presentation and Implementation of the ICAO Plans of Actions for States under the review of MARB

STATE	ICAO Plan of Actions presented	State Acceptance of ICAO Plan of Actions	ROST Implementation Mission(s) Conducted	MoU signed with AFCAC	AFI-CIS Mission Conducted	Status of implementation of ICAO Plan of Actions	Action Required from the meeting
Angola	6 Feb 2012						Request the State to indicate its acceptance of the ICAO Plan of Actions
Benin	19-21 Dec 2011	1 Mar 2012	31 Oct – 4 Nov 2011			ICVM Conducted 4-10 April 2012	Note that the ICAO Plan of Action is to be updated in light of the ICVM results
Botswana	1 March 2012	27 March 2012		11 April 2011			Note that ROST Implementation activities are due to start in May 2012

Cameroon	20 – 22 Feb 2012	15 March 2012	12-16 Dec 2011, AIR & CNS	30 Jun 2011			
Central African Republic	23-30 Sept 2011	13 March 2012	22-26 Aug 2011, ATM & AGA.	13 Jul 2011			
Comoros	17 Dec 2011	22 Dec 2011	AGA and ANS: Jan. 2012 AIR: 19-23 March 2012	24 March 2011			Note progress made
Congo	23-24 Feb 2012	12 April 2012	20-29 Sept 2011, OPS & ATM.	13 Jul 2011			
Djibouti	25 Sep 2011	04 Dec 2011		29 September 2011			Note acceptance of the ICAO Plan of actions but interventions cannot start until the State updates its CAP and in particular with information on the new primary aviation law and associated regulations
DRC	26-29 Sept 2011	02 Nov 2011	15-19 Aug 2011, AIR & AGA	15 Jun 2011		ICVM Scheduled for 13–19 Jun 2012	Note that the ICAO Plan of Actions is to be updated in light of the ICVM results
Equatorial	12-14 Dec 2011	13 Feb 2012 (with	3-7 Oct 2011,				

Guinea		observations for amendments)	MET & AIM				
Eritrea	30 Jan 2012	10 Feb 2012					Note that ROST Implementation activities are due to start in May 2012
Gabon	21-22 July 2011	13 April 2012	28 Aug–1 Sept 2011, AFI- CIS Evaluation & Monitoring mission.	11 Apr 2011	28 Aug–1 Sept 2011,	ICVM Scheduled for 25-31 Jul. 2012	Note that the ICAO Plan of Actions is to be updated in light of the ICVM results
Guinea Bissau				18 July 11			
Lesotho	27 Feb 2012	01 March 2012		22 June 2011			Note that a high level mission is planned in the third quarter 2012 following elections to further sensitize authorities at all levels
Liberia							
Madagascar	12 Jan 2012	13 Jan 2012	ANS and AIR: 12-16 March 2012	05 May 2011		ICVM mission is scheduled in May 2012	Note the progress made and that the ICAO Plan of Actions is to be updated in light of the ICVM results
Malawi	8 Mar 2012	12 March 2012		05 April 2012			Note that ROST Implementation

							activities are due to start in the third quarter 2012
Mali				24 Jan 2011		ICVM Conducted 24-28 Oct 2011	
Mauritania			5-9 Dec 2011, AIR & CNS.	21 Mar 2011		ICVM to be conducted in April 2012	
Mozambique	12 Sep 2011	7 Oct 2011	CNS (Nov 2011), AIR (Jan 2012) AGA (Feb 2012)				Note progress made and that the plan has now matured to move to the near term phase
Rwanda	15 Sep 2011	6 Oct 2011	SSP/SMS training course (Nov 2011) AGA (Nov 2011)	22 June 2011			Note progress made and that monitoring is on-going with the state for planning of additional ROST activities
Sao Tome							
Sierra Leone	11-15 April 2012		21-25 Nov 2011 AIR & MET	16 May 2011			
Swaziland	23 Feb 2012	24 Feb 2012		08 August 2011			Note that ROST Implementation activities are due to start in the second quarter

							2012
Zambia	6 July 2011	21 July 2011	AGA (Nov 2011)	07 April 2011	Aug 2011		Note progress made However, to be effective additional ROST/AFI –CIS interventions can be conducted only once the State has promulgated the Civil Aviation Bill & Regulations.

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