APANPIRG and ATM/SG Conclusion Implementation Guidance Material

Conclusion Details

APANPIRG/28 agreed to the following Conclusion:

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<tr><td colspan="3">Conclusion APANPIRG/28/7: State Actions to Ensure the Quality Management of Aeronautical Information</td></tr>
<tr><td colspan="2">What: That, States are urged to:
1. Examine and update where necessary the relevant primary legislation and aviation regulations to ensure that all originators and publishers of aeronautical information are required to comply with the Annex 15 standards and recommended practices relating to quality management and promulgation of aeronautical information;
2. Examine all available guidance for quality management of aeronautical information, including the Guidance Manual for Aeronautical Information Services in the Asia/Pacific Region; and
3. Ensure that robust quality management procedures are developed, implemented and used by all originators and publishers of aeronautical information, supported by formal agreements to ensure timeliness and quality.</td><td>Expected impact:
☒ Political / Global
☐ Inter-regional
☐ Economic
☐ Environmental
☒ Ops/Technical</td></tr>
<tr><td colspan="2">Why: To improve state performance in the promulgation and quality management of aeronautical information.</td><td>Follow-up: ☒Required from States</td></tr>
<tr><td>When: 14-Sep-17</td><td colspan="2">Status: Adopted by PIRG</td></tr>
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Why is the Conclusion necessary (including benefits if known)?

Continuing instances of poor quality management of aeronautical information, and poor adherence to the Aeronautical Information Regulation and Control (AIRAC) standards in Annex 15 – *Aeronautical Information Services* indicate the need for Asia/Pacific States to take robust action to rectify deficiencies in this area.

There is an apparent lack of appropriate legislation and associated regulations in many APAC States requiring all organizations originating and publishing aeronautical information to comply with the requirements of Annex 15, as required of all States that are signatory to the Convention on International Civil Aviation (The Chicago Convention).

Who is affected by the Conclusion?

All Asia/Pacific Administrations, and especially those administrations with APANPIRG Air Navigation Deficiencies recorded against failure to implement quality management.

Asia/Pacific Region Administrations should note that in all cases where evidence of significant failure of AIRAC adherence or quality management processes is provided, ICAO Regional Office will formally notify the Director-General of Civil Aviation of the State, raise a new AIS Air Navigation Deficiency against the State concerned and amend the Regional AIM Implementation Table to reflect that the State has not implemented AIRAC and QM-related AIM Roadmap transition steps.

What needs to be done?

Examine your State legislation and regulations, and take action to ensure they clearly require all providers of aeronautical information, such as airport operators, ANSPs, flight procedure designers, mapping and charting providers, etc., to comply with all of the requirements of Annex 15 relating to quality management and timeliness of aeronautical information.

Examine the *Guidance Manual for Aeronautical Information Services (AIS) in the Asia/Pacific Region*, available on the ICAO Asia/Pacific Regional Office eDocuments web-page for APANPIRG-agreed Regional guidance in the establishment of quality management processes. (https://www.icao.int/APAC/Pages/edocs.aspx)

Annex 15 Sections 4.2.8, Chapter 6 (all), Appendix 4, and Sections 3.7 and 3.8 refer.

Who do you contact if you have more questions, or if you would like to offer assistance to other States on this matter?

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