



ICAO ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE REGIONAL AVIATION SAFETY GROUP - ASIA AND PACIFIC REGIONS (RASG-APAC/11)

(Video Teleconference, 25-26 November 2021 at 10:00-13:00 hrs.
Bangkok Time, UTC+7)

Agenda Item 3: Outputs for RASG-APAC consideration and approval

PROGRESS UPDATE OF THE RASG-APAC/10 DECISIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This Paper presents updates of the progress on the RASG-APAC/10 Decisions and Conclusions held in VTC from Bangkok, Thailand in 17-18 December 2020.

Action by the Meeting is at Paragraph 3.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 This paper updates further progress and status of Decisions and Conclusions adopted at RASG-APAC/10 held in VTC from Bangkok, Thailand in 17-18 December 2020.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 RASG-APAC/10 adopted eight Decisions and two Conclusions and all are CLOSED.

2.2 Status of the RASG-APAC/10 Decisions and Conclusions can be found in **Attachment A** to this paper.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The Meeting is invited to:

- a) consider and endorse the updated progress and recommendation as indicated for each item in Attachment A and;
- b) continue to support RASG-APAC and APRAST activities.

List of Updated RASG-APAC/10 Decisions and Conclusions

Decision Ref.	Description	Remarks
Decision RASG-APAC 10/1 — Progress of development of Annual Safety Report (WP/5)	That, RASG-APAC/10 endorsed the timeline considering the data integrity for Annual Safety Report 2020 and agreed the timeline of the Annual Safety Report 2021 as discussed in WP/5..	Proposed to be Closed. <i>ASR 2021 was published by October 2021.</i>
Decision RASG-APAC 10/2 — Amendment of RASG-APAC Procedural Handbook (Second Edition) – WP/7	That, RASG-APAC/10 endorsed and approved the RASG-APAC Handbook 2 nd Edition and requested the Secretariat to review and incorporate the minor changes as discussed during the meeting.	Proposed to be Closed <i>RASG-APAC Handbook 2nd Edition was corrected and uploaded in ICAO-APAC Website in January 2021.</i>
Decision RASG-APAC 10/3 — Updates on Beijing Declaration – WP/08	That, States and Administrations are encouraged to take steps towards achieving the safety related targets set out in the Beijing Declaration, particularly in the areas of USOAP Effective Implementation, State Safety Programme implementation, certification of international aerodromes, and accident investigation.	Proposed to be Closed. <i>It is an on-going process to meet the Beijing declaration Commitments. The planned Ministerial Conference in 2020 hosted by India was postponed due to COVID Pandemic. Secretariat to confirm the revised Date and Venue of the next Ministerial Conference and then prepare the Progress Report in coordination with APRAST updated till date which will be presented by RASG Chair for the Safety related commitments in Beijing Declaration. It is also a follow up item of PROPOSED RASG-APAC 2021/2022 YEARLY PROGRAMME as TASK-1.</i>
Decision RASG-APAC 10/4 — Review of Decisions and Conclusions adopted at APRAST/15 and Progress (WP/9)	That, the Decisions adopted at APRAST/15 as described in Attachments A be endorsed.	Proposed to be Closed. <i>There were eight items on APRAST/15 Decisions ‘OPEN’ (APRAST Decision 15/5, 15/6, 15/9, 15/10, 15/11, 15/12, 15/13, 15/14), which are Proposed to be Closed.</i>
Decision RASG-APAC 10/5 — Review of progress of RASG-APAC/9 Decisions and Conclusions (WP/10)	That, the Meeting endorsed the recommendations of the 8 Decisions and 4 Conclusions of RASG-APAC/9 presented in Attachment A to WP/10.	Proposed to be Closed.

RASG-APAC/11–WP/11
Attachment A

Decision Ref.	Description	Remarks
		<p><i>RASG-APAC/9 adopted eight Decisions and four Conclusions out of which 05 Decisions (9/1, 9/2, 9/5, 9/7, 9/8), 01 Conclusion (9/4) and Decision RASG-APAC 8/6 were ‘OPEN’. All of them have been concluded and ‘CLOSED’ with updated status.</i></p>
<p>Decision RASG-APAC 10/6 — Managing Aviation Safety Risks Arising from the COVID-19 Pandemic (WP /21)</p>	<p>That, RASG-APAC/10 recognized the need to address the aviation safety related risks arising from the COVID-19 pandemic; and requested the ICAO APAC Regional Office to conduct a survey on the key risks faced by States/ Administrations, the mitigating measures implemented as well as challenges faced, and to share the survey results at the next APRAST meeting to encourage exchange of best practices amongst States/Administrations. Singapore agreed to work with ICAO-APAC RO to develop the survey questionnaire.</p>	<p>Proposed to be Closed.</p> <p><i>The Survey Questionnaire was prepared jointly by Singapore and Secretariat, which is already circulated on 03 March 2021 to the States/Administration for their feedback by 12 April 2021. (Ref.: T 6/8.1.1 – AP040/21 (FS) 03 March 2021). All States/Admirations were urged to provide their views by 12 April 2021 to ascertain the regional risk summary out of the survey.</i></p> <p><i>14 States replied and an analysis of the high-risk areas (3 and 4) which will be duly notified to SEI and SRP WG.</i></p>
<p>Decision RASG-APAC 10/7 — The Safe Use of COVID-19 Vaccines for Aviation Medical Certificate Holders – WP/29</p>	<p>That, Secretariat will bring the concerns expressed in WP/29 to the ACCRPG Safety Sub Groups and Public Health Sub-Group encompassing the priority manpower to be vaccinated and address the safety concerns.</p>	<p>Proposed to be Closed.</p> <p><i>The issue was presented in the ACCRPG and Safety Operational Measures Panel at HQ and expert panel at ICAO HQ shall take necessary measure to address the issue in due course.</i></p>
<p>Decision RASG-APAC 10/8 — RASG-APAC Yearly/Standing Work Programme 2020/2021 (proposed) [WP/29]</p>	<p>That, the proposed RASG-APAC 2020/2021 Yearly and Standing Work Programme is approved, as in Attachment 4 of this Report.</p>	<p>Proposed to be Closed.</p> <p><i>There are four OPEN item in the Yearly Work Programme 2020/2021, out of which 02 items are closed and rest 02 items are incorporated in the next year’s programme (2021-22).</i></p>
<p>Conclusion RASG-APAC 10/1 — Follow-Up On WP/9 of APAC-AIG/7 (WP/4)</p>	<p>That, Secretariat is requested to follow-up with the proposal in WP/9 of APAC-AIG/7 by forwarding the WP to the attention of the Air Navigation</p>	<p>Propose to be Closed.</p>

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	<p>Commission to consider including a provision in Annex 13 to make it explicit that States that received the draft final report for comments shall reply to the State conducting the investigation regarding their comments, if any, within the deadline.</p>	<p><i>WG/SRP has presented on the above subject to Air Navigation Commission on 11 February 2021 through AN-WP/9487, Paragraph 2.18 on Annex-13 Amendment as proposed by RASG-APAC.</i></p>
<p>Conclusion RASG-APAC 10/2: Evaluation of Combined APANPIRG and RASG-APAC Meeting (WP/15)</p>	<p>What: Considering the postponement of the trial combined APANPIRG-RASG-APAC meeting to 2022 or later, the Meeting agreed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The Chairpersons and Vice-chairpersons of APANPIRG and RASG-APAC utilize the considerations contained in RASG-APAC/10 WP-15 as well any other considerations received for the evaluation of the effectiveness of the trial combined meeting; b) In view of the current COVID-19 pandemic, the evaluation of the effectiveness of the combined meeting be postponed to 2022 or later; and <p>A post-meeting survey possibly guided with content contained in RASG-APAC/10 WP-15 be conducted among the meeting delegates when the first combined meeting is conducted in-person.</p>	<p>Proposed to be Closed.</p> <p><i>This Conclusion also Refer to Decision APrAST 15/3 — 2020 Combined APANPIRG and RASG-APAC Meeting Evaluation Considerations – WP/11.</i></p> <p><i>The Combined APANPIRG and RASG-APAC Meeting for 2020 is postponed due to COVID-19. However, for future events, face to face combined meeting shall be assessed taking those criteria into considerations as presented in APrAST-15 WP-11. WP-15 was presented in the RASG-APAC/10 on the same issue and Conclusion RASG-APAC 10/2 was adopted. Decision APrAST 15/3 is also Closed, as the matter will be revived by the Secretariat when face-to-face meeting starts after 2022.</i></p>

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