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Agenda Item 4: Presentations – State / Industry / ICAO

UPDATE ON SUBMISSION OF TE ACCEPTABILITY FORM BY APAC STATES FOR 25 HOUR CVR SARP ANNEX 6

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

Based on information received from ICAO HQ through the Industry, validity of 25 hours CVR SARP of ICAO Annex 6 requires further attention of the states until end of the year 2022.

Based on an analysis of ANA of Japan, some APAC States are necessitated to upload their Acceptability Form (TEAF) for 25 Hour CVR requirement, having been issued with a TE by Japan, below States are the impacted Destinations. In order to improve regional corporation, those below States may wish to submit the TEAF for 25 hour CVR TE on the ICAO TES.

Cambodia, China, Hong Kong China, Macao China, India, New Zealand and Philippines.

Similarly for all other operators, mentioned below, who are planning to fly new Aeroplanes holding TE on 25 Hour CVR, issued by their States may have to verify their operator's destinations and require those destination States to file TEAF accordingly.

Australia/Qantas, India/Vistara, Japan/All Nippon Airways, Japan/Japan Airlines, Korea/Air Premia, Korea/Korean Air, Singapore/Scoot, Singapore/Singapore Airlines

Action by the meeting is in Paragraph 3 below.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 ICAO Issued State Letter: AN 11/55-21/78 dated 10 December 2021 on the subject: **Targeted exemptions (TEs) with respect to the equipage requirement for twenty-five hour recording duration for cockpit voice recorder (CVR) in Annex 6**, and required Action to inform ICAO about any CVR TE as provided in paragraph 7 a); and **indicate acceptance of CVR TEs granted by another State as requested in paragraph 7 b).**

1.2 Based on above referred State Letter and in view of facilitating submission and harmonization of TEs issued by States to their operators, ICAO introduced a web based on-line public website cited as **Targeted Exemptions System (TES)** reflecting and updating effective all submitted TEs and TEAFs from 1st April 2021.

1.3 Hyper Link for the TES public website:

<https://www.icao.int/safety/OPS/OPS-Normal/Pages/Targeted-Exemptions.aspx>.

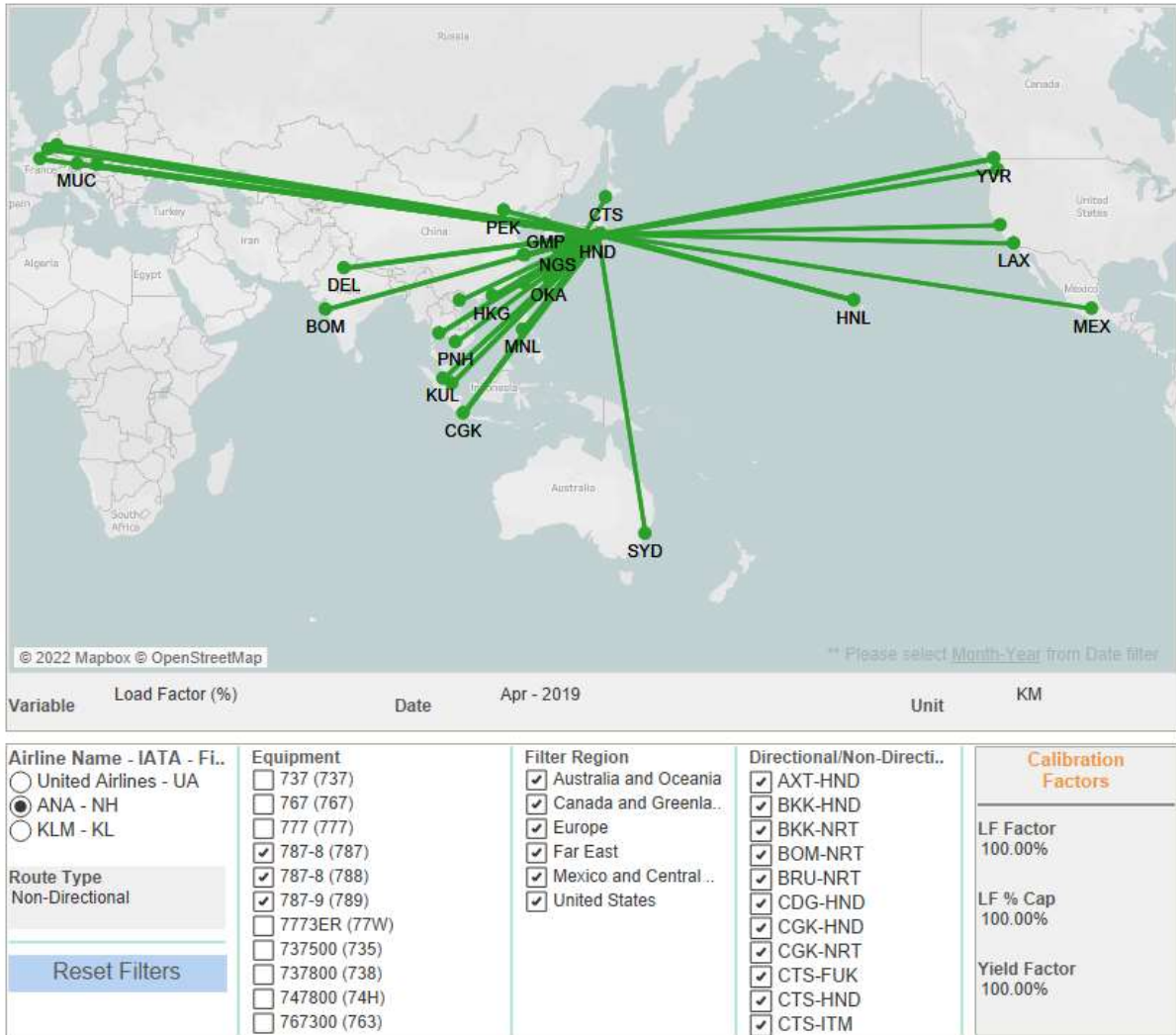
1.4. Currently, most of the TEs those have been issued by the States have been diminishing whereas TEs issued for Annex 6 25 hour CVR requirement still requires further attention by the States as per the latest information from Industry (Boing) has reiterated the validity and continuation of anticipated validity over a period of more than six months. In other words, for most of the Aeroplanes manufactured and first C of A has been issued on or after 1st of January 2021, manufacturers still encounter difficulties in sourcing and updating the equipage satisfying Annex 6 amendment. In that circumstances those States having registered Aeroplanes without satisfying said requirement needs to issue a Targeted Exemption for those aeroplanes of the operators. In that case those States, having issued TEs to their operators require submission of acceptance through TEAF by destination States through TES harmonizing the efforts without requiring to amend Bi-Lateral agreements.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 Current updated Map of States who have filed TEAF for 25 Hour CVR requirement is depicted below in yellow colour and States who are yet to submit TEAF are in Grey Colour.



2.2 Current updated map of Destination for ANA, as an example, and the impacted destinations States, which necessitate filing of TEAF form, in order to harmonize and support reactivation of Aviation in APAC Region without regulatory complications and impedance, are depicted below:



2.3 Based on above information APAC States which are necessitated to upload their Acceptability Form (TEAF) for 25 Hour CVR requirement in relation to ANA Airlines, having been issued with a TE by Japan, below States are the impacted Destinations. In order to improve regional corporation, those below States may wish to submit the **TEAF for 25 hour CVR TE on the ICAO TES.**

Cambodia, China, Hong Kong China, Macao China, India, New Zealand and Philippines.

2.4 Similarly for all other operators, given below, who are planning to fly new Aeroplanes holding TE on 25 Hour CVR, issued by their States may have to verify their operator’s destinations and require those destination States to file TEAF accordingly.

Australia/Qantas, India/Vistara, Japan/All Nippon Airways, Japan/Japan Airlines, Korea/Air Premia, Korea/Korean Air, Singapore/Scot, Singapore/Singapore Airlines

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The Meeting is invited to:

- a) Note the contents of the paper with a view to understanding the complex situation arose due to continuation of TEs for 25 Hour CVR; and
- b) Encourage all APAC States impacted by those operators mentioned in above paragraph 2.4 destinations to proactively submit TEAF on the ICAO Targeted Exemption System (TES) harmonizing and facilitating restart of commercial aviation in the APAC Region.

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