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**Agenda Item 8: Any Other Business**

**INMARSAT UPDATE**

(Presented by Inmarsat)

**SUMMARY**

This paper presents an update of Inmarsat aeronautical safety satellite communications.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 Inmarsat is a global mobile satellite communications company providing aeronautical safety communications for over 30 years. This paper provides an overview and update on Inmarsat capabilities and services.

**2. DISCUSSION**

2.1 Inmarsat has been providing highly reliable aeronautical satellite safety communications, including CPDLC, ADS-C and AOC ACARS communications over its Classic Aero network for over 30 years.

2.2 In 2018, Inmarsat introduced its next generation satcom system, Swift Broadband-Safety (SB-S), into commercial service.

2.3 SB-S continues to support existing safety communications requirements, while adding new IP-based communications capabilities, and serving as the foundation for SB-S Iris, Inmarsat’s global Performance Class B satellite communications solution.

2.4 **Attachment A** provides additional information on Inmarsat safety services evolution, current status, and planned improvements and activities.

**3. ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) note the information contained in this paper.

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# Inmarsat ATM Safety Update

## FIT ASIA Meeting



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# Agenda

- Introduction
- Benefits of Inmarsat satellite communications
- Inmarsat Iris: Performance Class B Satcom
- Inmarsat commercial UAV services
- China update

# OUR BUSINESS

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Satellite in commercial service

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Launches planned for GX and ELERA

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Satellite access stations with significant investments planned



Serving customers and end users in:

AVIATION



17,000 aircraft connected

ENTERPRISE



800,000 assets connected

MARITIME



160,000 vessels connected

GLOBAL GOVERNMENT



190 departments across over 90 nations

US GOVERNMENT



153,000 terminals installed

18000+

People in 22 countries, across 33 sites



99.9%

Network Reliability

158

Customers\* across 158 countries

\*Direct business

24/7

Customer support available

1,368

Trusted partners worldwide

# Over 30 years of aviation safety innovation

## Classic Aero

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### 1990s - TODAY

#### SAFETY SERVICES

Safety ACARS

FANS

- CPDLC – RCP240
- ADS-C – RSP180

Cockpit Voice - 2 channels prioritized circuit switched

## SwiftBroadband-Safety (SB-S)

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### 2018 - TODAY

#### SAFETY SERVICES 1.0

Safety ACARS

FANS

- CPDLC – RCP240
- ADS-C – RSP180

Cockpit Voice - Prioritized circuit switched & packet switched channels

#### ISOLATED IP CHANNEL

AOC ACARS

- Telemetry
- EFB Connectivity

#### SECURITY LAYER

3GPP Link security

- ACD Domain
- AISD Domain

### 2022 - Today

#### SAFETY SERVICES 2.0

SB-S 1.0 plus:

#### ISOLATED IP CHANNEL

AOC ACARS

- Telemetry
- EFB Connectivity

#### SECURITY LAYER

ACD: Mutual Link PKI mutual authentication and VPN for data integrity

AISD: 3GPP Security

### 2023 - Beyond

#### IRIS

SB-S 2.0 plus:

ATN/OSI for ATN B1/B2 services in multilink with VDL

- CPDLC – RCP130
- ADS-C – RSP160
- 4DTRAD: Exchange of 4D flight trajectories (ADS-C EPP) and 4D route clearances

**Inmarsat I-6 enters service**

### 2027 - Beyond

#### IRIS

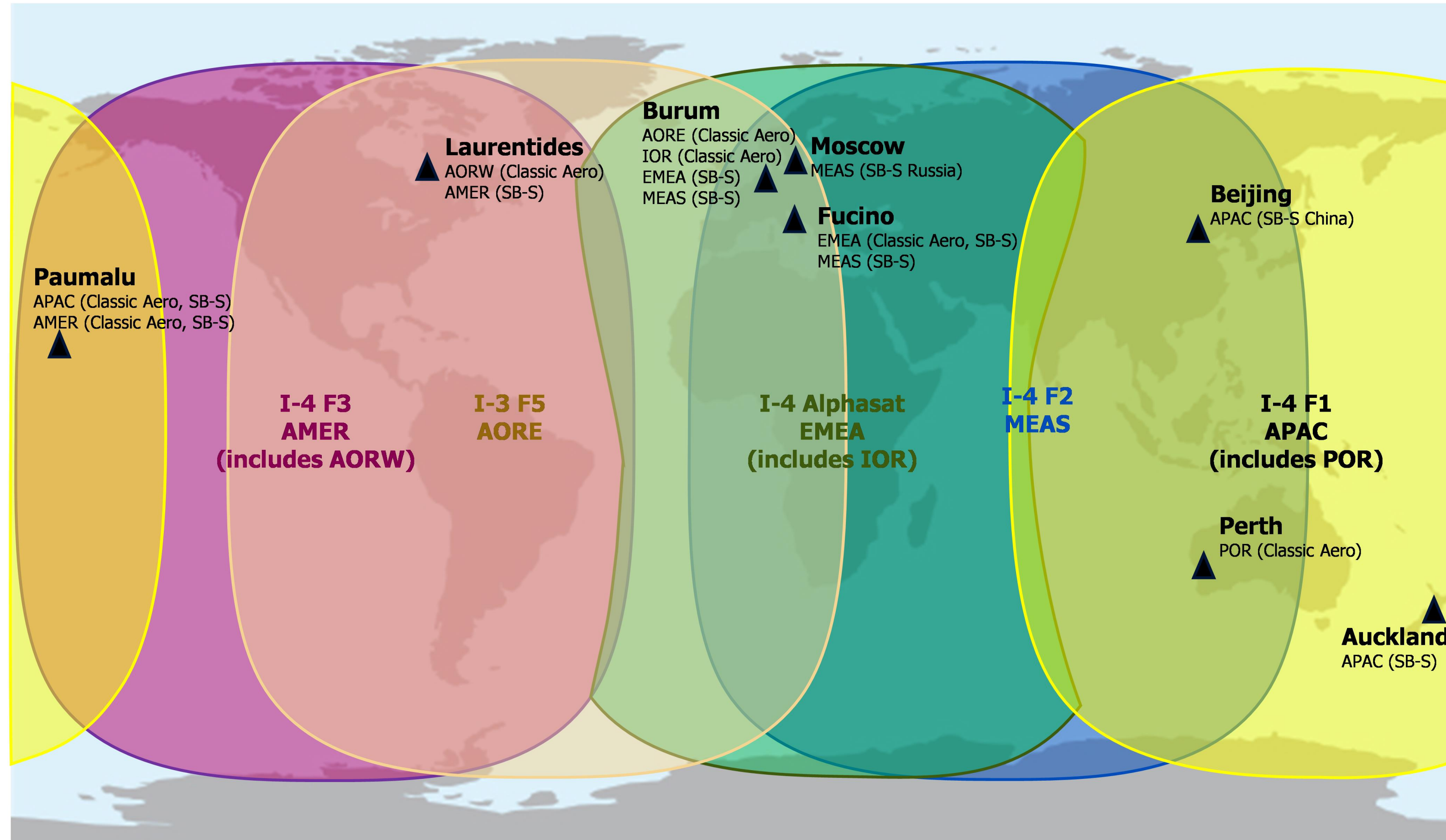
SB-S 2.0, ATN/OSI plus:

ATN/IPS for ATN B1/B2 services in multilink with VDL

#### EXTENDED LIFE

Service life beyond 2040

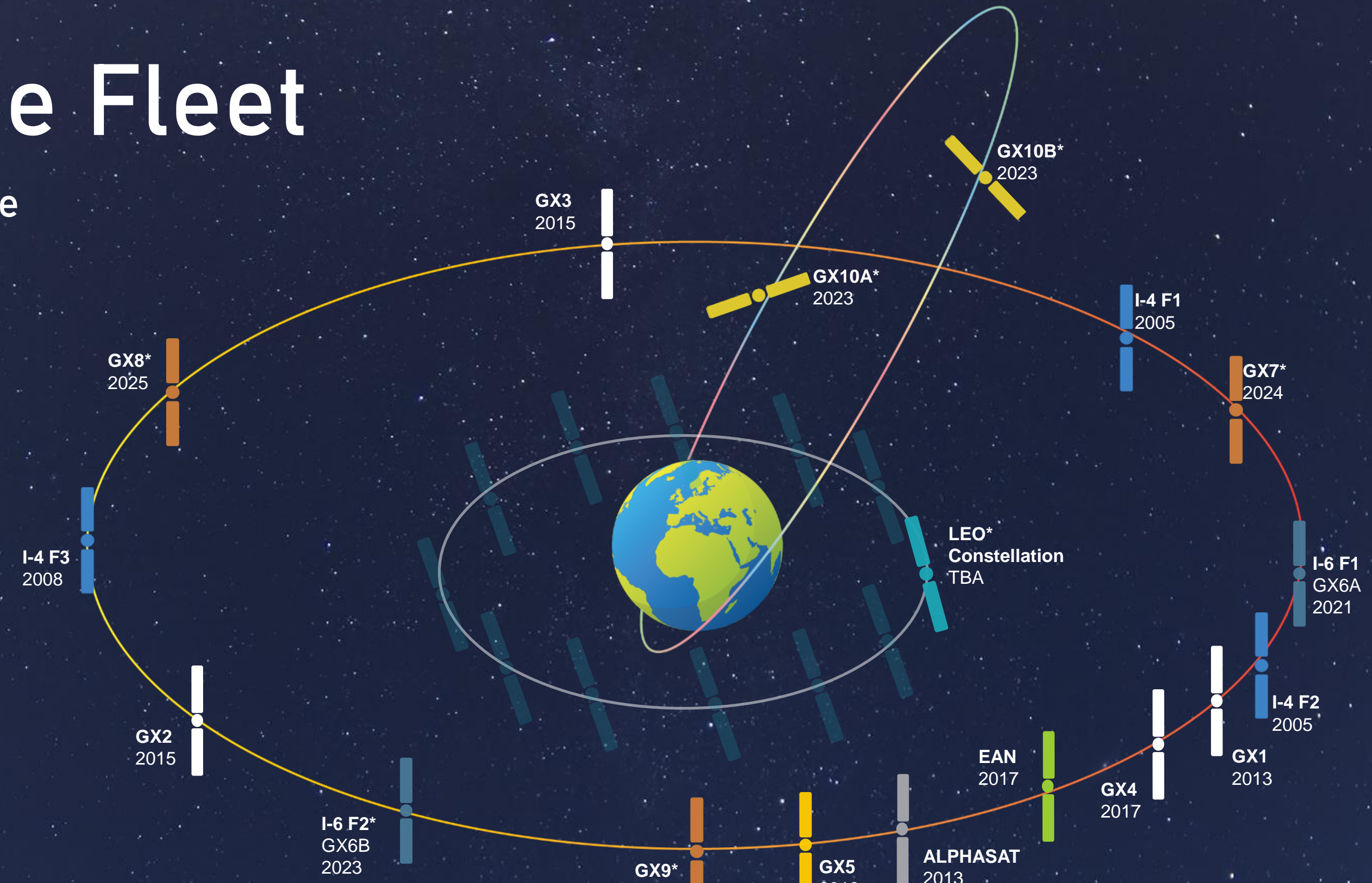
# Inmarsat Operational Coverage Map (Classic Aero and SB-Safety)



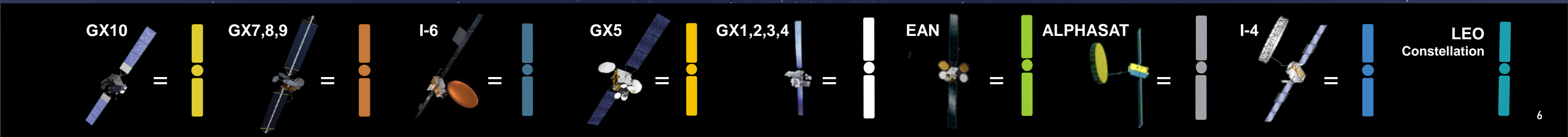
# Satellite Fleet

## Current and future

Updated: 24-02-22



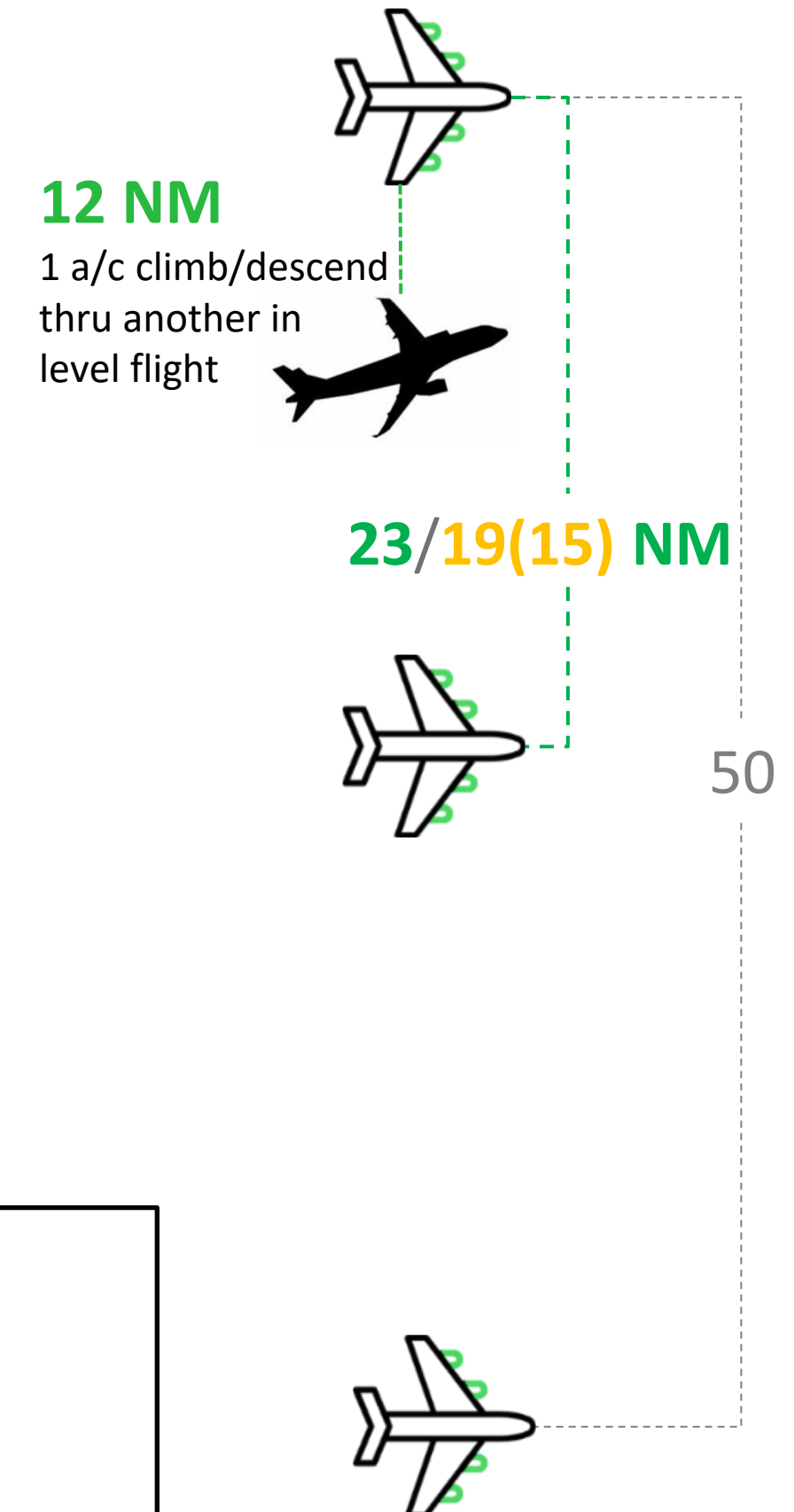
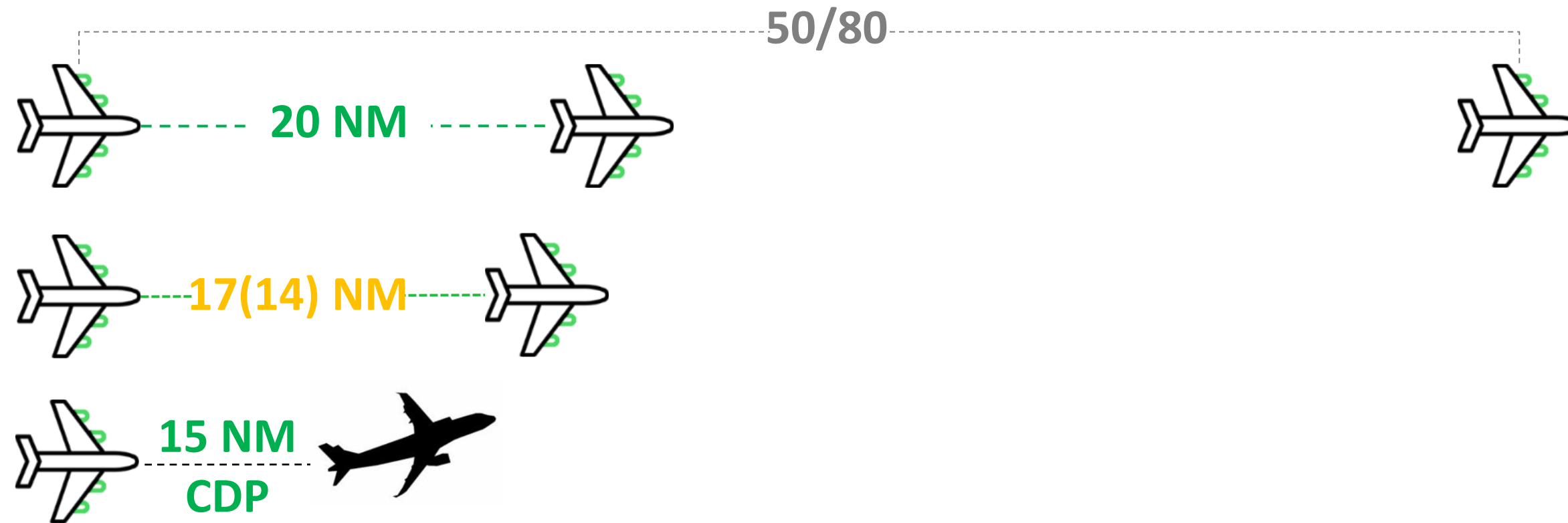
Note: current indicative positions and launch dates, does not include narrowband backup satellites  
\*Future locations and dates subject to change



# Benefits of SATCOM

- A key technology contributing to globally harmonized, safe, resilient, secure, efficient, and sustainable services:
  - Oceanic and Remote: FANS CPDLC/ADS-C, Voice, AOC, IP
    - Performance-based reduced separation
    - User Preferred Routes
    - Dynamic Airborne Reroute Procedures
    - ATFM and EFB applications
  - Dense Continental Airspace: (FANS)/ATN CPDLC/ADS-C, Voice, AOC, IP
    - 4D Trajectory Data Link (4DTRAD) w/ ADS-C EPP and extended CPDLC message set for Trajectory Based Operations
  - UAS and UTM
- Satellite-based technologies can complement terrestrial systems
  - Accelerate the digitalization of ATM
  - Support a coherent rationalization of the overall CNS infrastructure
    - SATCOM does not require complex ground infrastructure

# Current ATM Benefits of SATCOM

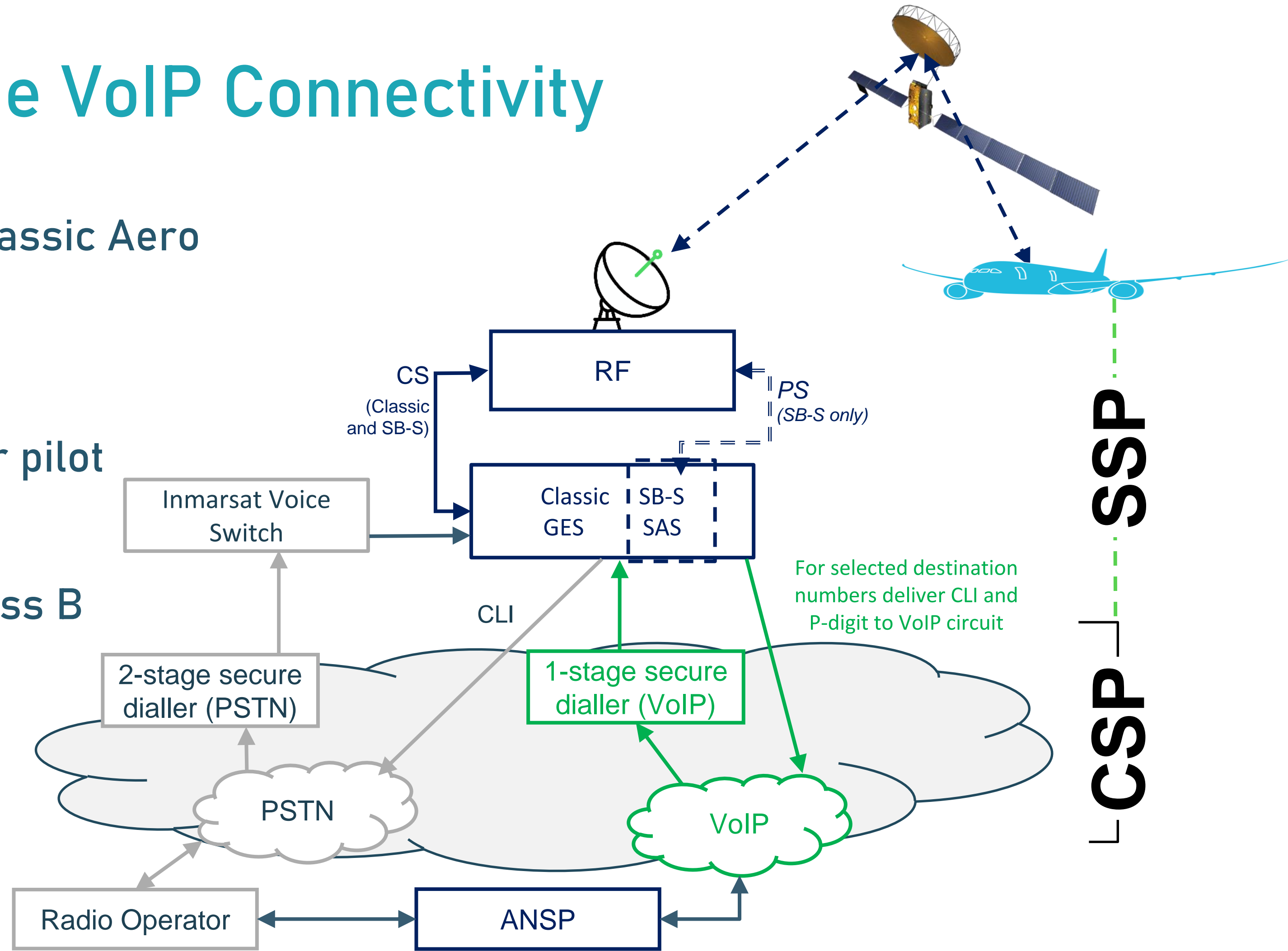


- Performance-based reduced separation
- ADS-C Climb/Descend
- User Preferred Routes
- Dynamic Airborne Reroute Procedure

Communication	Surveillance	Equipage
CPDLC (RCP240)	ADS-C (RSP180)	FANS + RNP4 + HF backup
CPDLC (RCP240)	ATS Surveillance System	FANS + RNP4 + HF backup
HF		RNP10/4/2 or RNAV + HF

# SATVOICE 1-Stage VoIP Connectivity

- Fast satellite VoIP with Classic Aero network & equipage
  - ≈ 8-15 sec GTA call setup
- Enables direct controller pilot communications
- ICAO Annex 10 PfA for Class B SARPS
- OPDLWG RCP tasking



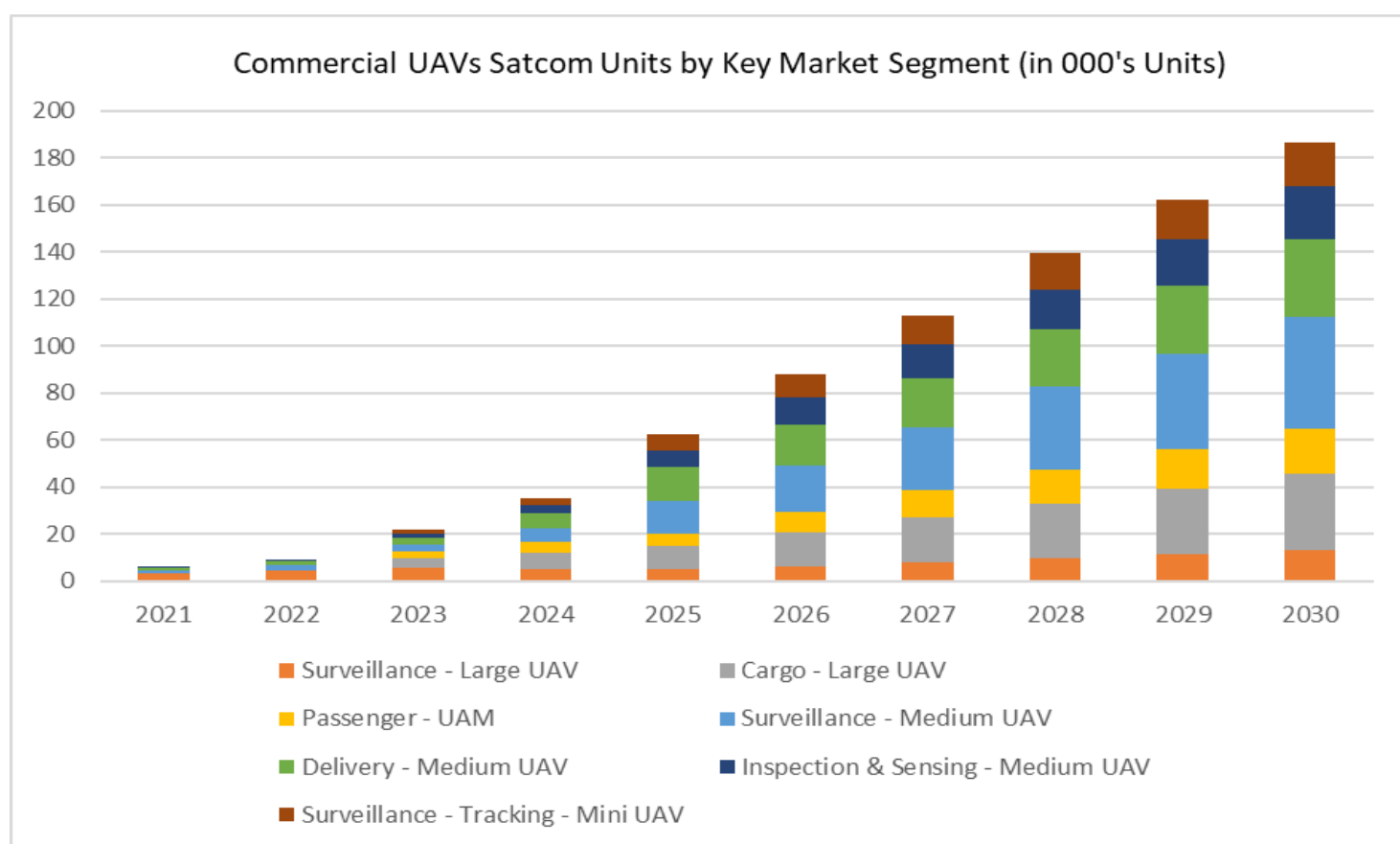
# Iris: Satellite datalink for dense continental airspace

- **Performance Class B SATCOM for data (ATN OSI and ATN IPS) and voice services**
  - ATN OSI Service available for entirety of Europe and other global geography as soon as it is operational (Q2 2023)
    - EasyJet to equip up to 11 Airbus A320neos, set to begin flying from November 2022 for Iris capability evaluation
  - ATN IPS Service available globally as soon as it is operational (Q2 2027)
  - Seamless global integration: No need for ground infrastructure (using the existing ATN backbone to include ARINC/Collins, SITAONAIR)
- **Mature technology – SB-S service operational**
- **Designed to meet ATS B2 requirements**
  - 4D Trajectory Data Link (4DTRAD)
    - Expanded CPDLC message set;
    - i4D Trajectory Based Operations (TBO) and Full 4D TBO (ADS-C EPP)
  - RCP130/RSP160 as well as RCP240/RSP180
  - Cyber security requirements
  - Voice w/ 1-stage dialing and DCPC capability (ATS Oceanic and non-safety voice communications)
- **IP provides increased information sharing capabilities (wx, maintenance, etc)**

# Inmarsat Commercial UAV Solutions

Current estimates show BVLOS growth from a few thousand units in 2021 to more than one million in 2030. As UAV operations expand into more complex airspace – toward integration into controlled airspace with manned aircraft – so does the **need for robust, secure communications and multiple communication links on the vehicles**

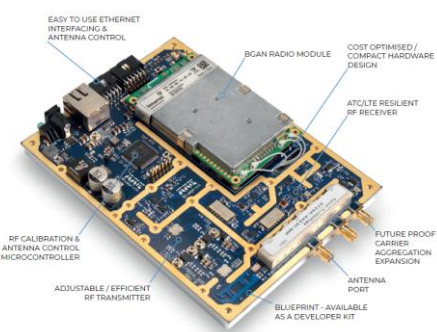
## Forecast



Cobham UAV200



Honeywell Small Form Factor Terminal



TTP - BRM-Works Solution

## Sector



Cargo



Urban transport



Delivery



Surveil/Inspect.

## Current Program

- Utilising Inmarsat L band assets for CNS/C2 in a small form factor solution (satcom terminals: UT1 & UT3)
- UT1 Terminal providers: Cobham and Honeywell – Available now!
- Developing reduced CSWaP UT3 – Multi-channel Data Link – Available 2022
- Supporting Global Regulations for BVLOS Commercial UAV Operations with Commercial UAV Safety Solutions
- Working strategically with partners to develop the emerging Commercial UAV Eco System
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# CTTIC/ADCC Classic Aero Statement



To whom this may concern,

CTTIC and ADCC would like to make the following statement as to a recent flight evaluation for validating Inmarsat's Classic Aero service, of which we wish to provide such service to aviation users all over the world. As we already have completed the infrastructure construction under Inmarsat's support and also constructed a link to end users taking use of the existing ground links. So it is supposed to be nothing different with service in use. We sincerely appreciate your kindly support for this evaluation.

Two flights for PEK-LAX and return pertaining to the evaluation were monitored on 4<sup>th</sup>, July and 5<sup>th</sup>, July. Overall, the data captured during the evaluation represents good performance for both cockpit voice calling and FANS (ADS-C/CPDLC) over SATCOM.

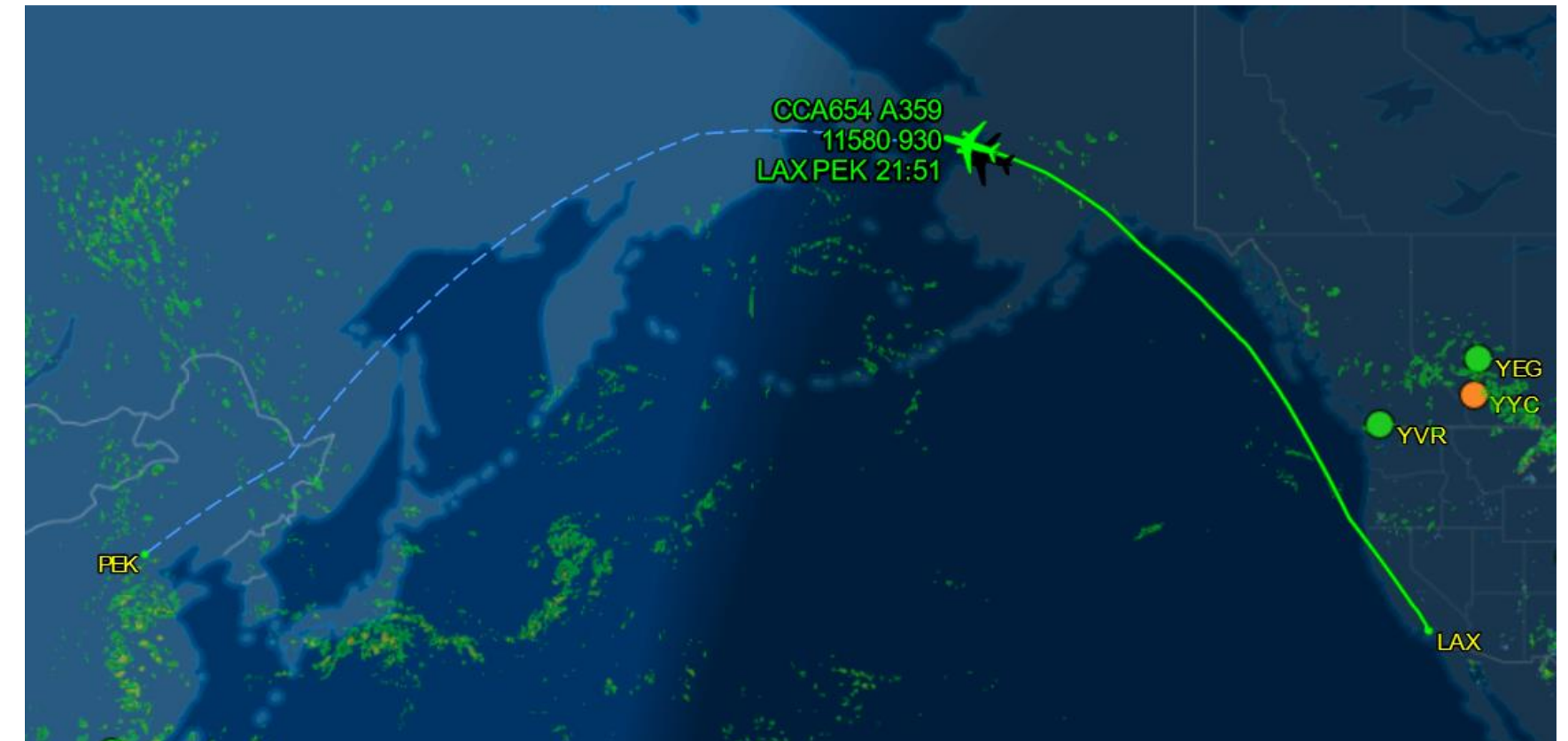
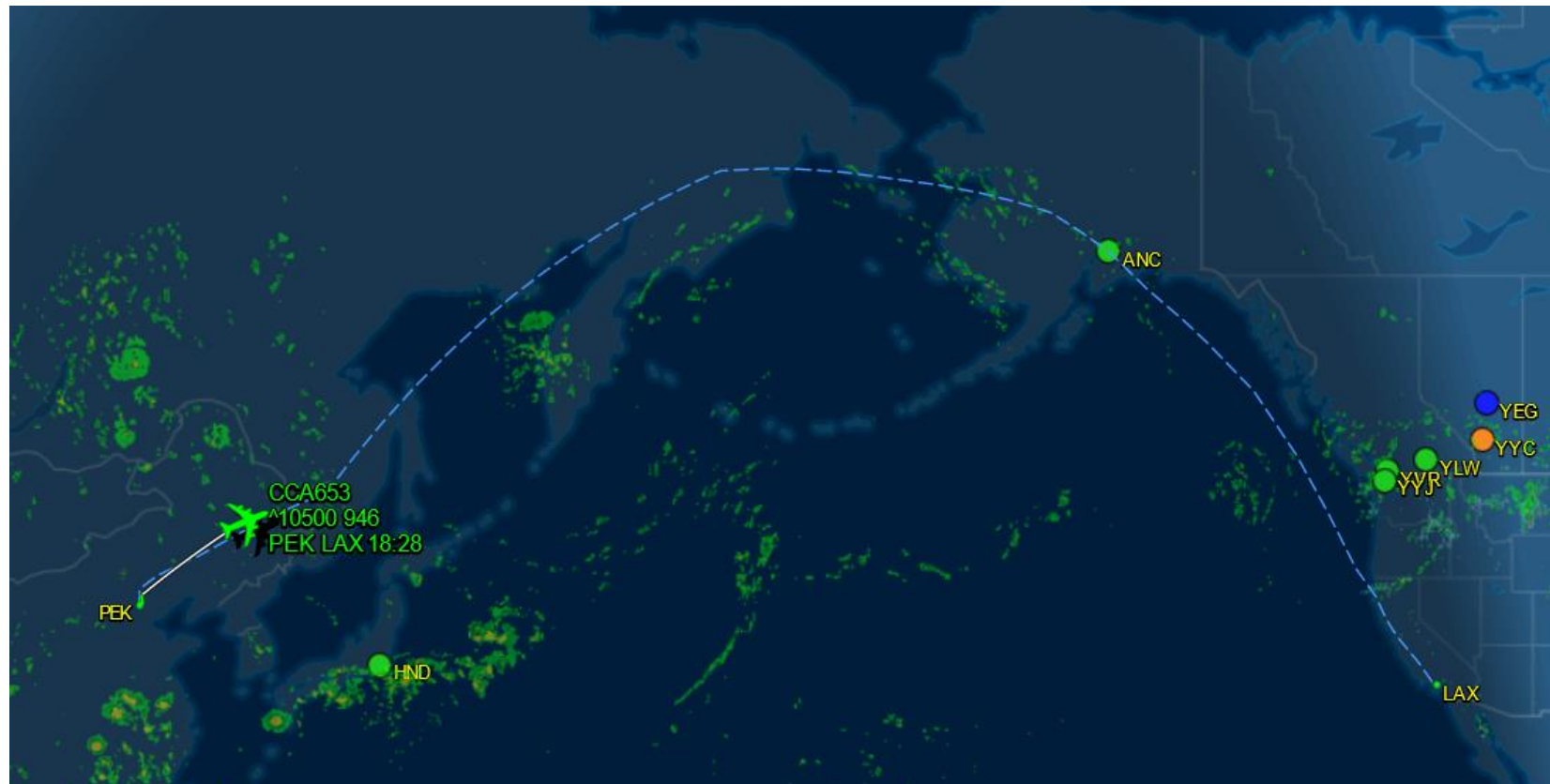
Sincerely!

# CTTIC/ADCC Classic Aero Flight Evaluation Update



Tail Number: B-1083  
AES ID: 36011506  
Flight Number: CA653  
Callsign: CCA653  
Flight date: 4<sup>th</sup> July  
Take-off Time: 19.45 pm Beijing time (CST)  
Landing: 4.30 pm Los Angeles time (PDT)

Tail Number: B-1083  
AES ID: 36011506  
Flight Number: CA654  
Callsign: CCA654  
Flight date: 5<sup>th</sup> July  
Take-off Time: 19.02 pm Los Angeles time (PDT)  
Landing: 21.51 pm Beijing time (CST)



# CCA653 & CCA654 Review



## 1. Cockpit voice:

Different priorities(Q9,Q10,Q12,Q15) and pre-emptions had been well verified during these two flights.

Classification	Quantity	Comment
Air to Ground	4	AOC calls
Ground to Air	21	with two stage dialing system following ICAO standard

## 2.ATS Datalink:

D-ATIS: 78 pcs  
AFN: 40 pcs  
CPDLC: 371 pcs  
ADS-C: 379 pcs

All above messages are going through SATCOM and performance looks good, except sometimes it occasionally used HF as uplink media which may be decided by ANSP ground link, so we will further check it with ground link partner.

# CCA653 & CCA654 Review



D-ATIS

Callsign	DATIS	uplink	downlink	Comment
CA6666	PANC	2	2	
	CYVR	3	3	
CA653	KLAX	8	8	
	ZBAA	11	11	
	UHMM	0	1	
	UHHH	0	1	
	CYAR	0	1	
	Total	24	27	

CA6666 is an emulated callsign when B-1083 was parked on the ground.

Callsign	DATIS	uplink	downlink	Comment
CA654	ZBAA	13	10	
	ZSQD	1	1	
	ZYTX	1	1	
	Total	15	12	

# CCA653 & CCA654 Review



CPDLC, ADS-C

		AFN		ADSC		CPDLC	
		uplink	downlink	uplink	downlink	uplink	downlink
CA6666	Anchorage	2	4	0	0	0	0
	ADCC Emulation	2	2	2	109	2	2
	total	4	7	2	109	2	2
CA653	ADCC Emulation	0	0	0	96	92	69
	Magadan	0	1	0	0	0	0
	Anchorage	3	3	0	0	2	2
	Vancouver	3	4	3	1	6	7
	Oakland	2	2	4	16	5	5
	total	3	8	7	124	100	79

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		AFN		ADSC		CPDLC	
		uplink	downlink	uplink	downlink	uplink	downlink
CA654	ADCC Emulation	2	1	6	107	96	72
	Magadan	0	1	0	0	0	0
	Anchorage	1	2	0	0	1	4
	Vancouver	2	2	3	8	5	4
	Oakland	0	5	0	13	0	6
	total	5	13	9	128	102	86

# China Classic Aero Update

Since ADCS are now processing satcom ocean region data, a new set of ACARS identifiers will be used in the messaging:

ID	Service	Ocean Region
B1A	SB-S	AMER
B1P	SB-S	APAC
B1E	SB-S	EMEA
B1M	SB-S	MEAS
B3I	I3 Virtual	IOR
B3P	I3 Virtual	POR
B3W	I3 Virtual	AORW
B3E	I3	AORE
B4A	I4	AMER
B4P	I4	APAC
B4E	I4	EMEA

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# Thank you

