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FREE ROUTE AIRSPACE (FRA) WEBINAR
(Presented by Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents ICAO announces the inaugural FRA Webinar for member States/Administrations in the APAC Region, aimed at introducing the concept, sharing successful implementations, fostering dialogue.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Asia Pacific region is witnessing unprecedented growth in air traffic, necessitating the adaptation and evolution of air navigation systems. To address these challenges, ICAO acknowledges the significance of exploring modernized solutions, such as Free Route Airspace. FRA enables aircraft to depart from traditional fixed routes, providing greater flexibility and efficiency in route planning. The upcoming FRA Webinar aims to facilitate knowledge exchange, highlight successful case studies, and encourage collaboration among member States/Administrations.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The FRA Webinar is scheduled to take place on 29th August 03:00~06:00 (UTC) via webinar. The key objectives of the webinar include:

- a) **Introducing the Concept and Benefits of Free Route Airspace:** Member States/Administrations will gain valuable insights into the FRA concept, its potential benefits, and its significance in optimizing airspace utilization and enhancing operational efficiency.
- b) **Sharing Successful Implementations and Case Studies:** Through presentations and interactive sessions, participants will learn from global experiences and best practices, including successful FRA implementations worldwide.
- c) **Fostering Dialogue and Knowledge Exchange:** The webinar will provide a platform for government regulators, air navigation service providers, operators, and other stakeholders to engage in dialogue, discuss challenges and opportunities, and exchange knowledge on FRA implementation.
- d) **Interactive Q&A Sessions:** Participants will have the opportunity to address questions and receive expert insights, clarifying any queries and deepening their understanding of FRA.

3. ACTION REQUIRED BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to: Publicize the FRA Webinar among member States/Administrations in the APAC region through official channels, highlighting the benefits and significance of FRA implementation. Encourage active participation and attendance of relevant representatives from member States/Administrations in the FRA Webinar.

- a) note the information contained in this paper; and
- b) discuss any relevant matters as appropriate.
