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ICAO EUR/APAC SEARCH AND RESCUE (SAR) WORKSHOP

(Presented by Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents brief information about the ICAO EUR/APAC Search and Rescue (SAR) Workshop.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Noting the positive feedback from the Global Aeronautical Distress and Safety System (GADSS) online workshop conducted during APSAR/WG/7 in 2022, the meeting had called for a further workshop or seminar.

1.2 Consequently, ICAO APAC Regional Office coordinated with the EUR Regional Office to conduct a joint in-person workshop supplemented by tabletop exercise to strengthen inter-regional cooperation.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The ICAO EUR/APAC SAR Workshop 2024 would be conducted from 2-4 October 2024 in Baku, Azerbaijan. The meeting invitation is available on [icao.int/APAC/Meetings/Pages/2024-ICAO-EUR-APAC-SAR-Workshop.aspx](https://www.icao.int/APAC/Meetings/Pages/2024-ICAO-EUR-APAC-SAR-Workshop.aspx).

2.2 The objectives of the workshop are to:

- Enhance collaboration between the European and Asia/Pacific Regions on SAR implementation matters; and
- Address States' preparedness in the implementation of the GADSS Autonomous Distress Tracking (ADT).

2.3 A joint meeting between the EUR SAR Task Force and APAC SAR Working Group would be arranged to discuss the implementation of regional/global SAR documents, SAR oversight, regional challenges, significant SAR-related events and SAR regional cooperation.

2.4 At the workshop, ICAO and subject matter experts would provide insights for various topics such as:

- a) review the ICAO provisions related to LADR and GADSS;

- b) discuss matters related to GADSS, ELT (DT) as well as regional preparedness in the implementation of GADSS ADT; and
- c) Conduct a tabletop exercise on GADSS ADT and Location of an Aircraft in Distress Repository (LADR).

2.5 States are invited to participate in the workshop, provide information and share experiences in this regard.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) note the information contained in this paper;
- b) participate in the workshop;
- c) share information and experiences of SAR related matter; and
- d) discuss any relevant matters as appropriate.

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