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Agenda Item 7: Any Other Business

ICAO APAC/MID ATM CONTINGENCY PLANNING WORKSHOP

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents brief information about the ICAO APAC/MID Contingency Planning Workshop.

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 ICAO Annex 11- Air Traffic Services, Chapter 2, 2.32 and its Attachment C describe provisions which require that ATS authorities shall develop and promulgate contingency plans for implementation in the event of disruption, or potential disruption, of air traffic services and related supporting services in the airspace for which they are responsible for the provision of such services.
- 1.2 The APAC Regional Air Traffic Management (ATM) Contingency Framework V 3.0 (2019) has been developed to assist in providing for the safe and. orderly flow of international air traffic in the event of disruption or potential disruption of air traffic services (ATS) and related supporting services. The Regional ATM Contingency Plan is available on ICAO APAC e-documents website.

2. DISCUSSION

- 2.1 The ICAO APAC/MID ATM Contingency Planning Workshop is being held from 25-27 June 2024 followed by IACO APAC ATM Contingency Table Top exercise on 28th June 2024. The meeting invitation is available on icao.int/APAC/Meetings/Pages/2024-ATM-Contingency-WS-TTX.aspx.
- 2.2 The objectives of the workshop are to:
 - Emphasize State's obligations for Contingency Planning under Annex 11;
 - Familiarize with the revised APAC and MID Regional Contingency Plan;
 - Examine case studies including related to effect of Volcanic Ash; and
 - Review and provide input to the APAC and MID Regional Contingency Plan to ensure inter-regional harmonization .
- 2.3 At the workshop ICAO and subject matter experts from States, ANSPs, airspace users, and International Organizations will present an overview of relevant ICAO provisions, a review of the current regional ATM Contingency Framework, case studies on ATM contingency planning of operations, meteorology phenomena affecting ATM operation, etc. The workshop will also provide the

opportunity to discuss how contingency management, could work better and provide recommendations to improve the regional contingency plans.

- 2.4 Intra-regional contingencies (arising due to large scale weather phenomenon, airspace closures, ATM system outages etc.,) can be effectively addressed by well-established collaborative decision making (CDM) practices. With the progress of sub-regional cross border Air Traffic Flow Management (ATFM) initiatives such as AMNAC and NARAHG and established ATFM services in many APAC States , the regional contingency management coordination can be better managed.
- 2.5 States are invited to share their experiences in this regards including suggestions to improve the coordination mechanism.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to: AMEND AS APPROPRIATE
 - a) note the information contained in this paper;
 - b) Share the experiences of cross-border ATFM in managing contingencies;
 - c) Provide Recommendations to improve the APAC and MID Regional ATM contingency planning, response and management that would be considered by the ATM SG; and

d)	discuss any relevant matters as appropriate.