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# Twenty-third Meeting of the Asia Pacific Regional Aviation Safety Team (APRAST/23)

(Bangkok, Thailand, 7 to 11 April 2025)

#### Agenda Item 4: Update of RASG-APAC/14 Decisions and Conclusions

# PROGRESS UPDATE OF THE RASG-APAC/14 DECISIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

(Presented by the Secretariat)

#### **SUMMARY**

This Paper presents updates of the progress on the RASG-APAC/14 Decisions and Conclusions.

Action by the Meeting is at Paragraph 3.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 This paper updates on the progress and status of Decisions and Conclusions adopted at RASG-APAC/14 held in Bangkok, Thailand on 28-29 November 2024.

#### 2. DISCUSSION

- 2.1 RASG-APAC/14 adopted ten (10) Decisions, out of which Six (06) Decisions are 'In Progress' (RASG-APAC 14/1, 14/2, 14/3, 14/4, 14/5, 14/10) and four are 'Proposed to be Closed' (RASG-APAC 14/6, 14/7, 14/8, 14/9) which are likely to be finally closed by the year end as approved by RASG-APAC/15.
- 2.2 Status of the RASG-APAC/14 Decisions and Conclusions can be found in **Attachment A** to this paper.

### 3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The Meeting is invited to:
  - a) consider the updated progress and recommendation as indicated for each item in Attachment A; and
  - b) continue to support RASG-APAC and APRAST activities.

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## LIST OF UPDATED RASG-APAC/14 DECISIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

Conclusion/ Decision Strategic Objective*	Title of Conclusion/ Decision	Text of Conclusion/Decision	Responsibility	Deliverable	Target Date	Status as of August 2024	Action by RO/HQ/ ANC
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Decision RASG-APAC 14/1 — A & B	Update on APRAST/21 and APRAST/22 – WP/6	That, the Decisions adopted at APRAST/21 and APRAST/22 as described in Attachment A and B to the WP/6 be endorsed.	RO	Action in accordance with the Decision.	By RASG 15	Progress:  03 Action items of APRAST/22 are open and work in progress.  Action: In Progress	RO to follow up
Decision RASG-APAC 14/2 — A & B	Update on Work Done by APAC-AIG – WP/7	That, RASG-APAC/14 approved the APAC-AIG Code of Conduct (CoC) on the cooperation relating to Civil Aviation Accident/Incident Investigation to be recognized as the Investigation Cooperation Mechanism (ICM) for APAC Region. Necessary ToRs in RASG Procedure Handbook shall be amended accordingly.	RO APAC-AIG	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  AIG Co Chairs and AIG Expert Group (AIG-EG) shall prepare the Draft ToRs and table it in AIG/13. The approved ToRs of AIG/13 shall be placed in RASG-APAC/15 for the endorsement of RASG.  Action: In Progress	RO

# APRAST/23–**WP/04 Attachment A**

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Decision RASG-APAC 14/3 — A & B	Update on Work Done by APAC-AIG – WP/7	That, AIG WG to monitor the progress of Final Accident Investigation Reports and provide feedback of the published report by the APAC States/Administrations for air transport aircraft accidents above 5,700 kg and report back to RASG-APAC.	RO APAC-AIG	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  AIG Co-Chairs shall update on the published report by the APAC States/Administrations for air transport aircraft accidents above 5,700 kg in AIG/13 Meeting and report back to RASG-APAC/15. RO may request HQ for such database of unpublished reports.  Action: In Progress	RO to follow up
Decision RASG-APAC 14/4 — A & B	Coordination Mechanism Between Regional Aviation Safety Groups (RASGs) And Teams (RASTs) – WP/8	<ul> <li>That,</li> <li>APRAST WG Co-Chairs are to:</li> <li>a) Commence a trial of the coordination mechanism with PA-RAST, including the sharing of regional safety alerts/ advisories, virtual meetings between Co-Chairs, and using a common online platform for immediate communication between meetings.</li> <li>b) After assessing the mechanism for up to two years, necessary changes to be adopted in the RASG Procedure Handbook and share the same experience with other RASGs.</li> </ul>	APRAST Co- Chairs RO SEI WG	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  The trial already commenced with the kickoff meeting between APRAST and PARAST leadership on 1/15/2025. Next meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2025.  Action: In Progress	RO

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Decision RASG-APAC 14/5 — A & B	Establishment of A RASG-APAC Safety Advisory - WP/9	That, RASG-APAC/14 agreed to the changes to the ToRs found in the WP/9. All changes will be incorporated in the next revision of the RASG-APAC Procedural Handbook.	RO SEI WG	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  All respective changes to the ToR are explicitly outlined in RASG-APAC 14 WP/09, section 2.4. All changes were approved by RASG-APAC/14 and thus, will be incorporated into the next revision of the Procedural Handbook.  Action: In Progress	RO
Decision RASG-APAC 14/6 — A & B	Review of Progress of RASG-APAC/13 Decisions and Conclusions – WP/10	That, the Decisions adopted at RASG-APAC/13 as described in Appendix A of the WP/10 be endorsed.	All	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  All 10 Decisions/Conclusions of RASG-APAC/13 are 'Closed'.  Action:  Proposed to be Closed	RO
Decision RASG-APAC 14/7 — A & B	ICAO Pacific Small Island Developing (PSID) States Liaison Office Progress and Planned Activities 2024/2025 – WP/12	That, noting Pacific Small Island Developing States' (PSIDS') needs for regulatory and technical training, on-the- job training, and appropriately qualified experts to support ICAO-coordinated activities and projects, States are urged to provide:  a) Regulatory and technical training opportunities.	All PSIDS LO	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  The Decision RASG-APAC 14/7 to be followed up time to time by the PSID LO and RO shall remain in close coordination for such efforts of training, OJT, Secondments and Focused Activities in island states.	RO

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Decision RASG-APAC 14/8 — A & B	RASG-APAC Yearly/Standing Work Programme 2024/2025 (proposed) – WP/20	<ul> <li>On-the-job training opportunities; and</li> <li>Appropriately qualified personnel for temporary deployments or short-to-medium term secondments.</li> <li>b) to support PSIDS-focused activities and projects</li> <li>That, the proposed RASG-APAC 2024/2025 Yearly Work Programme is approved, as in Appendix A of WP/20.</li> </ul>	All	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Action: Proposed to be Closed  Progress: There are three tasks captured in the RASG-APAC 2024/2025 Yearly Work Programme and RASG-APAC Sub Groups are working on the task implementation.  Action:	RO
Decision RASG-APAC 14/9 — A & B	APANPIRG and RASG-APAC Coordination meeting by all Chairs and Co- Chairs – WP/22	That,  a) APANPIRG and RASG-APAC shall coordinate and execute the identified events as shown in 6.1.2 of the report (or, para 2.5 of WP/22) and provide feedback to both the PIRG and RASG Chairs during Mid-Term PIRG-RASG Review Meeting by the respective/engaged Group Chairs.	All  RASG-APAC and Sub- Groups  APANPIRG and Sub- Groups	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Proposed to be Closed  Progress:  The issue was discussed during APRAST 21 with APANPIRG Focal Points for arranging a Workshop or an effective discussion forum and take the outcome to upcoming APANPIRG-34 and RASG-13 Meetings as it is scheduled back-to-back in Bangkok.	RO

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		b) APRAST Co-Chairs to identify a 'Lead' for each Event/Activity where RO shall facilitate with required State Letters and necessary information.				All the Sub-Group Co-Chairs of both APANPIRG and RASG-APAC are invited on 20th June 2024 through a formal Invitation Letter to join on a VTC and discuss the issue together under Agenda 5 during the upcoming APANPIRG/34 & RASG-APAC/13 Midyear Review Meeting scheduled on 23 August 2024.  A further discussion took place on 27th November 2024 at the end day of APANPIRG and before the RASG meeting by all Co-Chairs and the agreed mechanism shall continue.  Action: Proposed to be Closed	
Decision RASG-APAC 14/10	APANPIRG and RASG-APAC Coordination meeting by all Chairs and Co- Chairs – WP/22	That, After the prioritized events (Decision RASG-APAC 14/9) are being exercised APANPIRG and RASG-APAC chairs shall work out a suitable coordination mechanism taking the experience of Decision 14/9 and formalize the mechanism in respective procedure handbook of PIRG /RASG.	All  RASG-APAC and Sub- Groups  APANPIRG and Sub- Groups	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  RO to Follow up.  Action:  In Progress	RO