



SP/09 to CRV Workshop for PSIDS

# AIRPORT KIRIBATI AUTHORITY

## CRV PRESENTATION





## **THE NEED FOR ENHANCED CONNECTIVITY**

**Connecting Kiribati's Airports for a secure and reliable communication**

- **Kiribati's airports face unique challenges in maintaining secure and reliable communication.**
- **Isolated locations and limited infrastructure hinder efficient operations.**
- **A robust and secure network is crucial for passenger safety, operational efficiency, and national security.**
- **This presentation explores the potential of an Asia Pacific Common Regional VPN (CRV) to address these challenges.**





# **CURRENT AIRPORT INFRASTRUCTURE CHALLENGES**

## **Current Limitations in Kiribati Airport Networks**

- **Limited bandwidth and unreliable internet connectivity.**
- **Vulnerability to cyber threats due to outdated security systems.**
- **Difficulty in sharing critical information between different airport locations and authorities.**
- **High costs associated with maintaining separate, independent networks.**





## **BRIEF HISTORY OF COMMUNICATION**

- As per the ICAO AFTN/ATN Network Diagram, Kiribati connects to Nadi on AFTN because Kiribati is under Nadi FIR.
- In 2015 the Comsoft AMHS CADAS system was installed, operates for about 2 years before it fails until to-date.
- Without the AFTN, flight coordination is conducted through telephone and email.
- This independent network is inefficient and vulnerable to cyber threats.



## **ADDRESSING HISTORICAL CHALLENGES**

- Historically, ANSPs in the Asia Pacific region operated independent networks leading to several challenges
- Managing and coordinating multiple disparate network was difficult and inefficient
- Independent networks were vulnerable to cyber threats and lacked standardized security protocols
- Sharing information between airports and ANSPs was cumbersome and time-consuming
- However, the introduction of CRV addresses these challenges by providing a single, secure, and robust network infrastructure for the entire region.
- Kiribati is keen to learn more of the CRV and its benefits



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  - Briefly describe successful VPN implementations in other airports or similar contexts.
  - Highlight key benefits and lessons learned.



## CONCLUSION

- Kiribati would look forward to implementing the Asia Pacific CRV with the support of regional partners
- Given that CRV is considered to be a significant advancement in aviation communication infrastructure for the region, it would be a transformative opportunity for airports in Kiribati in enhancing security, improved efficiency and cost effective.
- Kiribati is in great support of the CRV as it provides a secure, reliable, and cost-effective solution for connecting airports and ANSPs, enhancing operational efficiency, and improving passenger safety.
- However, further clarification would be required for the Board's consideration and approval especially for the cost needed.