

Record of Conclusions and Actions of the 24th Meeting of the North Asia Regional Aviation Safety Team (NARAST)

**Beijing, China
21 November 2018**

1. Present

1.1 The 24th Meeting of North Asia Regional Aviation Safety Team (NARAST) was attended by representatives from China, Hong Kong China, Macau China, DPRK, Mongolia, ROK, FAA and CAAL.

1.2 The CTA was supported by Ms. Sun Qun Programme Secretary, Captain Chen Bin, the Flight Operation Intern from China Eastern Airlines. There was a total of 24 participants (see Attachment II for list of participants).

2. Venue

The Meeting was held in Beijing, China in the APAC ICAO Regional Sub-Office in advance of the 13th Asia Pacific Regional Aviation Safety Team (APRAST).

3. Proceedings of the Meeting

3.1 The CTA COSCAP-NA gave opening remarks and welcomed participants attending the 24th NARAST meeting.

3.2 Raphael (Chief of RSO) gave opening comments on behalf of the ICAO RSO and provided a brief introduction on the business and responsibilities of RSO.

3.4 Self introduction by all the participants

3.5 CTA explained format for the agenda was to undertake a cascading view of the GASP, RASG 8 Decision Record, APRAST 12 Decision Record, NARAST 23 Decision Record, NARAST Terms of reference, SEI review (including presentation from Macao MC), and High level NADI FIJI Decision record regarding a more collaborative approach amongst the 3 APAC COSCAPs.

3.5.1 GASP review

3.5.1.1 GASP objectives reviewed and notion of National Aviation Safety Teams was introduced.

3.5.1.2 CE4, inspector qualifications continue to be a universal weak point and a priority that North Asia needs ongoing awareness.

3.5.1.3 Discussion of separate Accident investigation (AI) Authorities and structure in each State/Administration was undertaken.

- CAAC is responsible for the minor accident investigation. A separate investigation Bureau is in

place.

- Hong Kong, China now has a newly established independent accident investigation office
- AI group in Macao, China is under the CAA.
- ROK has an independent AI group which has been in operations for several years.
- Mongolia has an independent AI group which reports to Ministry of Transport.
- DPRK does not have the independent AI organization.
- CTA indicated that the establishment of Independent Accident Investigation Groups remains an ICAO priority.

3.5.1.4 Runway Safety Teams

Discussion was undertaken regarding Runway Safety Teams which is a GASP objective.

- China has established 191 RSTs throughout their airport infrastructure. They however are not registered on the ICAO website. COSCAP office will follow up as to mechanism for registry and revert to CAAC.
- Mongolia reported that their program is in place and working. Further discussion will take place with COSCAP regarding a technical Regional Office Mission for the 2019 workplan regarding their new airport.
- Macao, China indicated that a checklist from ACI to establish the RST has been shared among non-ACI members. Any member state who wants to have go team for RST can go to RO for organization. The mechanism has been established and will be on the cost recovery basis.

3.5.2 Programme Document review

The CTA of COSCAP-NA lead the participants to review the PD and emphasize the priorities and outcomes which the COSCAP-NA will endeavor to achieve in phase IV.

3.5.3 NARAST Term of Reference review

The establishment of National Safety Teams was emphasized again.

3.5.4 23rd NARAST Record of Decisions review

3.5.5 Beijing Declaration introduction

A review of the high-level commitments arising from the Declaration was emphasized. North Asia States/Administrations need to be mindful and focused on implementation. Summarized below:

“Gathering at ICAO’s 2018 APAC Ministerial Conference, hosted by the People’s Republic of China, the high-level officials agreed to pursue cooperative progress on objectives relating to aviation safety oversight, State Safety Program (SSP) implementation, airport certification, the timely implementation of the Asia/Pacific Seamless Air Traffic Management Plan, and the sharing of information and best practices for air navigation and search and

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rescue services. This new declaration will also reinforce agreements and actions supporting the establishment of independent accident investigation authorities, as well as toward some additional and very critical objectives for human capital development and the training and retention of this region's next generation aviation professionals."

3.5.6 Brief discussion regarding International airport certification ensued arising from the Beijing Declaration summary statements

- China stated that all the international airports have been certified prior to being opened to the public.
- Mongolia indicated new airport requires certification. An APAC RO CAT team will be explored for 2019.
- ROK indicated all their international airports have been certified according to ICAO requirements.

3.5.7 ICAO SMS website introduction

The SMI website was put on the screen for viewing. Member States/Administrations were encouraged to review the contents and utilize for their own purposes.

3.5.8 RASG 8 Record of Discussions review

A brief review of the decision record and open items was summarized but not discussed in detail.

3.5.9 APRAST 12 Record of Discussions review

- APRAST Targets and Priorities were reviewed. MC from Macao, China informed the group that there is new language introduced to the targets and priorities, which was noted. These targets and priorities will remain an area of focus for the COSCAP-NA and all Member States/Administrations.
- A general review of the decision record was summarized.
- The Safety Enhancement Initiatives (SEIs) website was discussed. With the website down, there was a question posed by the CTA as to the usefulness of keeping the complimentary Summary Tracking Tool up to date on COSCAP-NA website. A definitive decision was not reached. Plus the COSCAP-NA website itself is experiencing difficulties so no immediate action will be taken on the tracking tool.
- MC from Macao, China brought up the APAC SEI survey which has had very limited response. Presentation was to follow.
- Comments regarding UPRT training, the 10 priority items arising from the FSF list, the AP- Share program, the IOSA audit program for operators, and other APRAST open items were reviewed in summary only.
- MC from Macao, China suggested COSCAPs be utilized to facilitate a more focused and targeted implementation of the SEIs generated from APRAST. COSCAP-NA MCs can be utilized to assist the construction of targeted SEIs implementations specific to NA. Further discussion and decision making is required.

3.5.10 Presentation from MC from Macao, China, Stanley on the SEI implementation website and the APAC RO SEI survey

- The CTA agreed to send an additional email following the APRAST reminding MCs to have the survey completed.
- The group decided not to spend time updating the status of the tracking tool state by state for this meeting. Subsequent to APRART 13 in December and discussion arising regarding SEI implementation, the CTA will formulate a proposal for a more focused approach at our next scheduled NARAST meeting.

3.5.11 55th DGCA conference COSCAPs Joint meeting report review

The Fiji meeting facilitated by the RO RD and the Sec Gen was introduced as to its purpose and 7 action items that have been recorded in the subsequent decision record. The RD is seeking a more collaborative approach amongst the three APAC COSCAPs. The Fiji meeting was attended by many of the NA, SA, and SEA DGs. Some resolutions were achieved and other action items were for consideration only. It was agreed that a more detailed discussion would take place at the Member Coordinators meeting to be held on the following day.

4. Date and Venue of the 25th NARAST Meeting

A meeting date for the 25th NARAST to be held at the ICAO Regional Sub-Office will be set based on the tentative dates for the 14th APRAST.

5. Review of Decisions and Actions from the 24th NARAST meeting.

CTA will finalize the Decisions from the 24th NARAST meeting and circulate it to COSCAP-NA Members for comments before finalizing.

Attachment I

24th Meeting of the North Asia Regional Aviation Safety Team (NARAST)
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Proposed Programme

0900-0910	1. Welcome and self-introduction
0910-1000	2. Review of agenda 3. GASP review 4. Programme Document review 5. NARAST Term of Reference review. 6. Review of Conclusions/Actions of 23rd NARAST Meeting 7. Beijing Declaration introduction
1000-1015	Tea Break
1015-1200	8. Brief discussion regarding International airport certification 9. ICAO SMS website introduction 10. RASG 8 Record of Discussions review
1200-1315	Lunch
1315-1500	11. 12th APRAST Final Report review 12. Presentation from MC from Macao, China, Stanley on the SEI implementation website and the APAC RO SEI survey 13. 55th DGCA conference COSCAPs Joint meeting report review
1500-1515	Tea Break
1515-1600	14. Next meeting date/place 15. Review of Conclusions of the 24 th NARAST 16. Close of the Meeting

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