International Civil Aviation Organization

## **Accident and Incident Investigation Group**

# EIGHT MENA ARCM Committee Meeting (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 2-4 November 2025)

## **Agenda Item 2:** Regional Performance Framework for Safety

#### FOLLOW-UP ON THE RASG-MID/12 CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS

(Presented by the Secretariat)

#### **SUMMARY**

This paper presents the status of the PIRG/RASG and RASG-MID/12 Conclusions and Decisions and the follow-up actions taken by concerned parties

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

## REFERENCES

- RASG-MID/12 Report

#### 1. Introduction

1.1 The twelfth meeting of the Regional Aviation Safety Group - Middle East (RASG-MID/12) was held in Doha, Qatar, 4-8 May 2025.

## 2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The RASG-MID/12 and PIRG/RASG meeting endorsed eleven (11) Conclusions and three (3) Conclusions, and one (1) Decision as at **Appendix A and Appendix B**, respectively.

## 3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to note the follow-up on the outcome of the RASG-MID/12 and PIRG/RASG meeting; and take action as appropriate.

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## FOLLOW-UP ACTION PLAN ON RASG-MID/12 CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS

No.	Conclusions and Decisions	CONCERNS/ CHALLENGES (RATIONALE)	DELIVERABLE/ To be initiated by		TARGET DATE	STATUS/REMARKS
C. 12/1	MENA RSOO	Enhance cooperation among MENA States in the area of SSP	Sign the MOA to support MENA States in SSP and USOAP	States	July 2025	Actioned
	That States be encouraged, if not yet done, to sign the MOA and join the MENA RSOO and actively contribute to the success and sustainability of the MENA RSOO.					
C. 12/2	GUIDANCE FOR IMPLEMENTING GOAL 6 OF THE 2026–2028 GASP	Assist states in assessing non-ICAO recognized industry evaluation Programmes	Development of guidance material	ICAO	June 2025	Actioned  Coordination with HQ
	That, ICAO is invited to develop guidance to assist states in assessing non-ICAO recognised industry evaluation programmes.					
C.12/3	13 <sup>TH</sup> ASR				June 2025	Completed
	That, The Thirteen MID Annual Safety Report is endorsed and be posted on the ICAO MID Website.	Sharing the final 13th MID-ASR for the period 2019- 2023 with identified MID Region safety priorities and an update on safety performance	MID-ASR 13th Edition published on the ICAO website	RASG-MID/12		
C. 12/4	SHARING OF SAFETY DATA ANALYSIS	Collection of safety data analysis for a Harmonized database	Safety Data Analysis for development of ASR	States	May 2025	Completed

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	In respect of the next MID ASR edition, States are encouraged to provide necessary safety information and safety data analysis to the ICAO MID Office by June 2025, related to each occurrence category in <b>Appendix 4B</b> for the past 5 years (2020–2024) and using the templates in <b>Appendices 4C and 4D</b> . The Draft of the 14 <sup>th</sup> edition of the MID ASR will be presented to the ASRG/7 meeting for review.					SL ME 4-25/104 Dated 26 May 2025
C. 12/5	IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS ON THE SAFETY ENHANCEMENT INITIATIVES (SEIS)	Support the MID- RASP 2023-2025 Edition activities, including SEIs and safety actions	Implementation of SEIs and safety actions	States, organizations, and industry	May 2025	Actioned  45 (72.6%) safety actions out of 62 have been completed and implemented as of August 2025
	That,					
	<ul> <li>a) The implementation progress of the Safety Enhancement Initiatives (SEIs) and safety actions included in the MID-RASP 2023-2025 Edition at Appendix 4F is endorsed; and</li> <li>b) States, international organizations and industry are urged to support the MID-RASP 2023-2025 Edition activities, including SEIs and safety actions.</li> </ul>					
C. 12/6	AAM AND NEW ENTRANTS			States, organizations, and industry	June 2025	Actioned
	That,  a) AAM and AI covered under the ICAO Focus area AAM and new entrants be included as a Safety Enhancement Initiative (SEI) within the MID Region Aviation Safety Plan (MID-RASP) 2026-2028 Edition to ensure structured regional coordination and alignment with global aviation innovation priorities;	Support AAM and new entrants in the MID Region	Include AAM and new entrants as SEI in MID-RASP 2026-2028			SL REF:ME4 -25/115 Dated 4 June2025.  Has been included as SEIs in MID- RASP 2026-2028

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	<ul> <li>b) Encourage States and industry stakeholders to prioritize and conduct capacity-building initiatives, to foster expertise and knowledge-sharing in AAM and AI technologies, regulatory frameworks, and risk management strategies; and</li> <li>c) Encourage States and stakeholders to actively engage in the proposed SEI by sharing operational insights, best practices, and lessons learned.</li> </ul>					
C. 12/7	DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL AVIATION SAFETY PLAN (NASP) IN MID STATES	Compliance with Assembly Resolution A40-1	State Letter	ICAO	July 2025	Actioned  SL REF: ME 4 – 25/159 Dated 7  July 2025
	<ul> <li>That, States be:</li> <li>a) urged to prioritize the development and implementation of the NASP in line with the GASP and MID-RASP, if not yet done so;</li> <li>b) encouraged to share the latest versions of their NASPs with ICAO HQ and ICAO Regional MID office for publication on the GASP public portal;</li> <li>c) Encouraged to leverage existing ICAO guidance materials, tools, and best practices to accelerate NASP development and implementation;</li> <li>d) Invited to seek technical assistance from the ICAO MID Regional Office for NASP development, including tailored on-site assistance missions and/or State-specific NASP workshops to address unique operational challenges; and</li> <li>e) Encouraged to actively share lessons learned, challenges, and successes in NASP development during SEIG</li> </ul>					

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	meetings and/or the Regional NASP Workshops, fostering peer-to-peer knowledge exchange and regional collaboration.					
C. 12/8	DEVELOPMENT OF SSP IN MID STATES  That, States be:  a) urged to prioritize the timely establishment, implementation, and maintenance of State Safety Programmes (SSPs) and to strengthen Safety Management System (SMS) adoption across all aviation service providers, ensuring alignment with ICAO Annex 19 standards;  b) encouraged to request assistance from the ICAO MID Regional Office related to the development and implementation of their SSPs including the conduct of:  i. Targeted SSP technical assistance missions to prepare States for upcoming ICAO SSP assessments  ii. Tailored SSP implementation Workshops  iii. State Safety Risk Management framework workshops to enhance risk-based decision-making capabilities.  c) Invited to share lessons learned, challenges, and successes in SSP development during SEIG meetings, fostering peer-to-peer knowledge exchange and regional collaboration; and  d) encouraged to share their latest version of SSP manuals with ICAO MID Office.	Support States with the development and Implementation of SSP	MID States SSP development	ICAO and States	July 2025	Actioned SL REF: ME4-25/16 Dated 4 June 2025
C. 12/9	ESTABLISHMENT OF ELECTRONIC PILOT LICENCE That	Support States to establish EPL	Conduct of Survey	ICAO and States	June 2025	Completed

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	<ul> <li>a) The survey on the Electronic Pilot Licence (ePL) will be developed by the UAE GCAA, in coordination with the ICAO MID Regional Office;</li> <li>b) The MID Office will circulate the survey to all MID States and encourage them to provide their inputs; and</li> <li>c) The results of the survey analysis will be shared with the UAE to support the development of the Working Paper to be presented at the 42<sup>nd</sup> ICAO Assembly.</li> </ul>					SL REF: ME4-25/103 Dated 26 May 2025
C.12/10	SARPS, AND GUIDANCE RELATED TO FATIGUE RISK MANAGEMENT (FRM) FOR MAINTENANCE LICENSED PERSONNEL That,  a) a detailed survey to assess the measures taken to mitigate fatigue in the maintenance environment to be developed by UAE and Saudi Arabia, in coordination with the ICAO MID Regional Office, IATA, and IFALPA; b) the ICAO MID Office to circulate the survey to all MID States and collect feedback and proposals; c) the results of the survey to analyzed by UAE and Saudi Arabia, in coordination with the ICAO MID Regional Office, IATA, and IFALPA; d) UAE in coordination with Saudi Arabia, IATA, and IFALPA to develop a Working Paper to be presented at the 42 <sup>nd</sup> ICAO Assembly, inviting ICAO to develop SARPs and guidance for maintenance licensed personnel, and e) UAE and Saudi Arabia, in coordination with the ICAO MID Regional Office, IATA, and IFALPA, to develop a Regional Safety Advisory on the subject to be presented	Support States with FRMS for maintenance	Conduct of survey	ICAO and States	June 2025	Ongoing  SL REF:ME4-25/108 Dated 29May2025

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	to the SEIG/7 Meeting for further discussion and agreement on the way forward.					
C.12/19	ADHERENCE TO ICAO ANNEX 13- ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION FINAL REPORTS  That, The State conducting an aircraft accident investigation must submit a Preliminary report to ICAO within thirty days of the date of the accident and release the final report within twelve months in accordance with ICAO Annex 13 requirement.	Sharing of the Final Investigation Report	RASG-MID/12	States	June 2025	Completed  SL REF ME4-25/113 Dated 2 June 2025

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# FOLLOW-UP ACTION PLAN ON PIRG/22 & RASG-MID/12 CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS

No.	CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS	CONCERNS/ CHALLENGES (RATIONALE)	DELIVEI To be init		TARGET DATE	STATUS/REMARKS
C. 1	MENA ARCM  That States be encouraged to sign the MENA AIG Regional Cooperation Mechanism (MENA ARCM) MoU, if not yet done.  CONSOLIDATED REGIONAL APPROACH TO GNSS RFI MANAGEMENT	Enhancement of cooperation among MENA States in the provision of AIG area	Sign the MoU to support States in AIG area	States	June 2025	Actioned  Discussed during MENA ARCM/7 meeting and SL REF: FS 4/4 -25/161 Dated 7 July 2025
	That, a consolidated regional approach for the management of GNSS RFI be established with the following actions:  a) States be urged to: i. Support the establishment of regional GNSS RFI monitoring and reporting mechanisms through the appropriate MID regional frameworks; ii. Maintain an adequate network of conventional navigation aids to ensure continuity of air navigation services in case of GNSS signal degradation; iii. Strengthen civil-military coordination and ensure timely sharing of information related to intentional GNSS interference. iv. Define reversion scenarios and associated contingency procedures to maintain safe and efficient operations in the event of GNSS unavailability.  b) ICAO MID Office be requested to: i. Coordinate the development of the regional GNSS RFI management framework and potential reporting mechanism; ii. Support States through regional capacity building and awareness activities on GNSS interference detection and mitigation; iii. liaise with ICAO Headquarters to contribute to the deployment of global guidance material specifications,	GNSS interference/Spoofing  Operations Continuity dung GNSS RFI or Spoofing	Proposed mitigation measures to be used in case of GNSS interference.	States	June 2025	Actioned SL REF: AN 7/30.21 – 25/130 Dated 24 June 2025

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	including the GNSS RFI mitigation iPack and available information exchange mechanisms.					
D. 3	AMENDED RASG-MID SAFETY ADVISORY 14  That, the amended RASG-MID Safety Advisory 14 (RSA-14) at Appendix 2B is endorsed.	Amendment of the current RSA 14	Amended RSA 14	ACAO, ICAO, IATA, IFALPA.	June 2025	Completed
C. 4	CAPACITY BUILDING ON GNSS RFI  That, ICAO, in collaboration with ICAO partners, organize a Regional Capacity Building event on GNSS Interference during 2025.	GNSS interference capacity building	Organise symposium on GNSS	States, ICAO, Organizations	Nov 2025	Ongoing Symposium Nov 2025