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Agenda Item 8: Other business

**OFFER OF JAPAN CRA TO PROVIDE FOR THE CENTRAL REPORTING AGENCY ACTIVITY
IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA AREA**

(Presented by Japan)

SUMMARY

This paper informs the meeting that Japan CRA will offer the FIT-SEA to provide for the Central Reporting Agency activity in the South China Sea area.

1. Introduction

1.1 The monitoring activity for ATS data link interoperability in the Pacific airspace has been performed by the Central Reporting Agencies of United States and Japan. The Central Reporting Agency of U.S. undertakes the roles of the CRA services for the Oakland, Anchorage FIRs and South Pacific FIRs, and the Central Reporting Agency of Japan for the Tokyo FIR. These CRAs are sub-groups of the ISPACG and IPACG FITs.

2 FIT-SEA and CRA

2.1 For the South China Sea area, the FANS Implementation Team of South-East Asia ATS Coordination Group (FIT-SEA) has been established and the first meeting was held during the SEACG/11 meeting on 24 – 28 May 2004.

2.2 At the FIT-SEA/1 meeting, the Japan CRA presented an offer to undertake the role of CRA for the South China Sea as an extension to its existing activities. As Boeing was not represented at the meeting, the Japan CRA was requested to clarify the proposed arrangements in relation to the role of Boeing and provide an update to the RASMAG/2 and FIT-SEA meetings.

2.3 The FIT-SEA/1 meeting noted that there would be some delay in commencing an operational trial in the South China Sea, probably until 2006/2007. In light of the delays expected, the IATA and a number of states suggested that the selection of a CRA could be delayed until closer to the commencement of the trial.

3. Offer of Japan CRA

3.1 The Japan CRA will offer the FIT-SEA to undertake the role of the CRA activity in the South China Sea area. If the Boeing states the intention to participate in the CRA activities in this area, Japan CRA will propose to work together with the Boeing by forming a joint CRA. The FAA and JCAB CRAs have performed the successful joint activity for the IPACG FIT in the past three years.

4. Action by the Meeting

4.1 The meeting is invited to note the intention of Japan CRA to offer the FIT-SEA for the CRA activity in the South China Sea area.

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