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OF CNS/MET SUB-GROUP OF APANPIRG (OPMET/M TF/3)**

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Agenda Item 2b: Review: Content and operation of Regional OPMET Data Banks

CURRENT STATUS OF THE REGIONAL OPMET DATA BANK-TOKYO

(RODB Tokyo)

(Presented by Japan)

SUMMARY

This paper provides information on recent reception statistics of the request bulletins at RODB Tokyo.

1. Introduction

1.1 The RODB Tokyo started its operations in 1994, and has been collecting and delivering OPMET bulletins in the Asia-Pacific region. Non-regular OPMET data exchange is computerized by data bank system. The analysis is based on the traffic at the first ten days of February 2005. Those requests were for TAF and METAR.

2. TAF AND METAR REQUEST BULLETINS.

2.1 The recent reception statistics of request bulletins at RODB Tokyo is shown in Fig-1. There were an average of 460 requests per day for METAR and TAF. In this period, some of the received RQ bulletins were with wrong format. The reasons are mainly as follows;

- a) The message did not contain the comma (,) symbol.
e.g. RQM/FCVIAR OPLA OPKC/FTVIAR OPLA OPKC=
- b) The message did not contain the equal (=) mark at end of line.
e.g. RQM/SAWMSAVOBG

The requestors and numbers of accesses are summarized in Table-1.

3. CHANGE OF THE WMO HEADERS FOR RJTD METAR BULLETINS

3.1 RODB Tokyo changed the WMO abbreviated header of the national METAR bulletins, which was formerly multinational, from SAFE to SAJP in February 2005.

4. ACTION BY THE MEETING

4.1 The meeting is invited to note and discuss the content.

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Table-1: Requestor and Number of request bulletins

<i>Requestor Location</i>	<i>Number of Request</i>
Australia	281
Canada	765
China	1469
France	324
Germany	46
Hong Kong, China	291
India	63
Ireland	120
Israel	7
Japan	134
Rep. Korea	33
Macao, China	246
Malaysia	3
Nepal	16
Russian Fed.	473
Singapore	105
Sri Lanka	33
Switzerland	1
Thailand	28
United Kingdom	4
Viet Nam	156
<i>Total</i>	4598

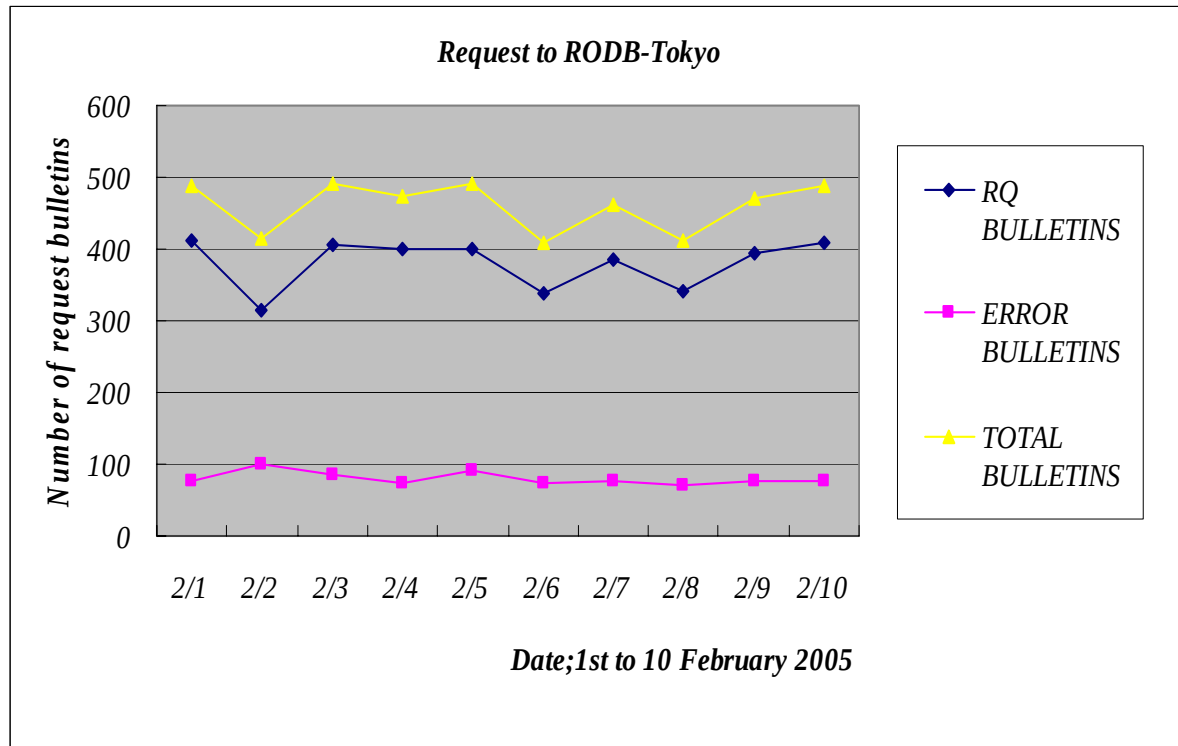


Fig. 1 : Daily number of requests