

ELEVENTH AIR NAVIGATION CONFERENCE

Montreal, 22 September to 3 October 2003

Agenda Item 1: Introduction and assessment of a global air traffic management (ATM) operational concept

1.3 The need for a global air navigation plan
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**REGIONAL AIR NAVIGATION SERVICES DEVELOPMENT
ASSOCIATION (RADA)**

(Presented by Ukraine)

SUMMARY

In June 2002 in Baku, Azerbaijan, the air navigation services providers of Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine signed an Agreement on cooperation (hereinafter called the Agreement) and a regional group was formed for cooperation among the air navigation services providers. The air navigation services provider of Armenia acceded to the Agreement in September 2002.

The Regional Air Navigation Services Development Association (RADA) was created in 2003 on the basis of the regional group.

The enterprise “Kazaeronavigatsiya”, Kazakhstan, takes part in the work of the Association as an observer.

Part 2 of this paper describes the main objectives of the cooperation among the air navigation services providers on a regional basis.

Action by the conference is in paragraph 3.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The traditionally established historical ties between countries, the need for the practical implementation of solutions to problems related to the development of air navigation in the region, the creation of favourable conditions for the further growth of the economic efficiency of airspace use and the development of the safe and efficient Europe-Caucasus-Asia transport corridor led to the understanding of the expediency of developing common regional approaches to the implementation of the communications, navigation, and surveillance/air traffic management (CNS/ATM) concept and to the development of the air navigation services market in the region.

1.2 The common principles of the Association are:

Partnership: The Association contributes to the development of partnership among the members on the basis of trust and openness of relations.

Openness: The working bodies of the Association carry out the responsibilities placed upon them, on the basis of the principles of the openness of their activities.

Cooperation: The Association supports close links with aviation authorities, organizations, air navigation services users and producers working in the aviation sector and closely related sectors.

Professionalism: The activities of the Association are based on the principles of a high degree of professionalism and efficiency.

1.3 The Agreement on cooperation is an important stage in the region-wide development of the air navigation services market, the enhancement of air traffic management, traffic safety management in the Black Sea/Caspian Sea region and the development of a coordinated strategy for CNS/ATM implementation for the further development of the Europe-Caucasus-Asia transport corridor.

2. MAIN OBJECTIVES AND PROJECTS OF THE ASSOCIATION

2.1 Main objectives of the Association

- a) joint resolution of matters of interest to the members of the Association;
- b) cooperation with a view to harmonizing air navigation services within the framework of the Association;
- c) development of a common policy in the area of the development of air navigation services;

- d) mutual assistance in providing users with safe and efficient air navigation services;
- e) coordination of common positions on matters of cooperation with air navigation services providers of neighbouring States, as well as on air navigation services matters when they are discussed in international organizations; and
- f) development of a joint strategy for CNS/ATM implementation in the region.

2.2 Main projects of the Association

2.2.1 Cooperation on regional aeronautical information management (RAIM).

2.2.2 The main task of the RAIM project is the development of AIS in RADA countries with a view to implementing such AIM functions as:

- a) introduction of common operational/technical procedures for the collection, processing, use and dissemination of high-quality digital aeronautical information;
- b) harmonization of the professional training of personnel, through the application of common standards in the training and qualification of the personnel involved in the provision of regional AIM services;
- c) use of automated functions in the preparation and updating of national integrated aeronautical information packages (IAIP); and
- d) implementation of integrated AIS/MET/ATM briefing services at the regional level.

2.2.3 A Grant Agreement was signed in July 2003 with regard to undertaking the technical/economic validation of the Regional plan for the implementation of CNS/ATM systems in Ukraine, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia and the Republic of Moldova.

2.2.3.1 The development of the Plan is being funded by the United States Trade and Development Agency (USTDA).

3. ACTION BY THE CONFERENCE

3.1 The conference is invited to:

- a) note the information on the creation of the RADA;
- b) approve the initiative concerning cooperation among air navigation services providers on a regional basis; and
- c) consider that the creation of the Association is in line with ICAO's policy on the creation of an integrated air traffic management system at the regional level and that it contributes to the further development of air navigation services in the region.

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