

**INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION
NORTH AMERICAN, CENTRAL AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN OFFICE**

**TWENTY-SIXTH EASTERN CARIBBEAN INFORMAL WORKING GROUP MEETING
(26TH E/CAR IWG)**

(Barbados, 3 to 7 June 2002)

Agenda Item 3 AIS Developments

3.3 Other AIS items

3.3.1 AIP Amendments to the AIP Eastern Caribbean

AIP AMENDMENTS TO THE AIP EASTERN CARIBBEAN

(Working Paper presented by Trinidad and Tobago)

SUMMARY	
The aim of this Information Paper is to inform the meeting about the action taken towards keeping the AIP Eastern Caribbean updated.	
REFERENCES	
• Report of Seventeenth Meeting of the Directors of Civil Aviation, of the Eastern Caribbean Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, 04th – 07th December 2001.	

1 Introduction

1.1 The Directors of the Seventeenth Meeting of Directors of Civil Aviation of the Eastern Caribbean agreed that an up to date AIP was essential to the safety of operations and that information for the AIP had to be provided by each State and Territory in a timely manner.

1.2 As a result, Conclusion 17/6 – Provision of information for the AIP E/CAR was agreed.

CONCLUSION 17/6 - PROVISION OF INFORMATION FOR THE AIP E/CAR

The Directors of Civil Aviation of the Eastern Caribbean recognizing the necessity for the publication of an up to date AIP for safe aviation operations, request that Trinidad and Tobago provide a time limit for the provision of updated aeronautical information to all States/Territories in order to publish an amended AIP in a timely manner.

2. Discussions

2.1 On the basis of the Conclusion 17/6, the Piarco International NOTAM Office published Aeronautical Information Circular 01/02 dated 24th January 2002, detailing a schedule of AIP E/CAR Amendments for 2002 and providing a time limit for the provision of updated aeronautical information.

2.2 Annex 1 details the schedule of AIP E/CAR Amendments for year 2002.

2.3 Three AIP Amendments will be issued annually. If the need arises for additional amendments during a year, those will be issued accordingly and the schedule of AIP Amendments will be revised.

2.4 There are three significant dates associated with the AIP Amendments:-

- a) the effective date;
- b) the publication date; and
- c) the latest date for the raw data to reach AIS.

2.5 There is an interval of 42 days between the publication date and the effective date. This allows for a period of up to 14 days' distribution time, by the most expeditious means, in order for recipients to receive the information at least 28 days in advance of the effective date.

2.6 There is an interval of 21 days between the publication date and the latest date for raw data to reach the AIS. This allows for processing, packaging and delivery to the Postal/Distributing Agency.

3. Suggested Action:-

3.1 The meeting is requested to note and formulate comments.