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COUNCIL — 234TH SESSION

TWELFTH MEETING

(COUNCIL CHAMBER, FRIDAY, 28 MARCH 2025 AT 1000 HOURS)

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

CLOSED MEETING

Not available

OPEN MEETING

Adoption of Amendment 82 to Annex 3 — *Meteorological Service for International Air Navigation*

5. The Council commenced its consideration of this item on the basis of C-WP/15652 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 82 to Annex 3 — Meteorological Service for International Air Navigation.

6. In light of the substantive comments raised by Council Representatives with respect to elements of the proposed amendments, including in particular those provisions relating to space weather centres and space weather advisory information, the Council decided to suspend its consideration of C-WP/15652, and to defer its consideration of related amendment proposals, as contained in C-WP/15657, C-WP/15660, C-WP/15663, C-WP/15653, C-WP/15654, C-WP/15655 and C-WP/15664, to a subsequent meeting to be held on Wednesday, 2 April 2025.

Adoption of Amendment 94 to Annex 10 — *Aeronautical Telecommunications, Volume I — Radio Navigation Aids*

7. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15656 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 94 to Annex 10 — Aeronautical Telecommunications, Volume I — Radio Navigation Aids.

8. It was noted that having examined the technical circumstances associated with the implementation of the amendment, the Air Navigation Commission considered that an effective date of 4 August 2025 and proposed applicability date of 27 November 2025 would be suitable for Amendment 94 to Annex 10, Volume I.

9. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as contained in Appendix A to the working paper, as well as the impact assessment provided in Appendix B to the working paper.

10. Following consideration, the Council, by 34 votes in favour, no votes against, and no abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 94 to Annex 10, Volume I, the amendments to definitions and to Standards and Recommended Practices as contained in Appendix C to the working paper;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Notes as contained in Appendix C to the working paper;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption in Appendix D to the working paper; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 10, Volume I, as contained in Appendix E to the working paper.

Adoption of Amendment 91 to Annex 10 — Aeronautical Telecommunications, Volume V — Aeronautical Radio Frequency Spectrum Utilization

11. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15659 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 91 to Annex 10 — Aeronautical Telecommunications, Volume V — Aeronautical Radio Frequency Spectrum Utilization.

12. It was noted that having examined the technical circumstances associated with the implementation of the amendment, the Air Navigation Commission considered that an effective date of 4 August 2025 and proposed applicability date of 27 November 2025 would be suitable for Amendment 91 to Annex 10, Volume V.

13. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as contained in Appendix A to the working paper, as well as the impact assessment provided in Appendix B to the working paper.

14. Following consideration, the Council, by 34 votes in favour, no votes against, and no abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 91 to Annex 10, Volume V, the amendments to definitions and to Standards and Recommended Practices as contained in Appendix C to the working paper;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Notes as contained in Appendix C to the working paper;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption in Appendix D to the working paper; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 10, Volume V, as contained in Appendix E to the working paper.

Adoption of Amendment 93 to Annex 10 — Aeronautical Telecommunications, Volume III — Communication Systems

15. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15658 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 93 to Annex 10 — Aeronautical Telecommunications, Volume III — Communication Systems.

16. It was noted that having examined the technical circumstances associated with the implementation of the amendment, the Air Navigation Commission considered that an effective date of 4 August 2025 and proposed applicability date of 27 November 2025 would be suitable for Amendment 93 to Annex 10, Volume III.

17. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as contained in Appendix A to the working paper, as well as the impact assessment provided in Appendix B to the working paper.

18. Following consideration, the Council, by 34 votes in favour, no votes against, and no abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 93 to Annex 10, Volume III, the amendments to definitions and to Standards and Recommended Practices as contained in Appendix C to the working paper;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Notes as contained in Appendix C to the working paper;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption in Appendix D to the working paper; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 10, Volume III, as contained in Appendix E to the working paper.

Adoption of Amendment 18 to Annex 14 — *Aerodromes, Volume I — Aerodrome Design and Operations*

19. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15661 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 18 to Annex 14 — *Aerodromes, Volume I — Aerodrome Design and Operations*.

20. It was noted that having examined the technical circumstances associated with the implementation of the amendment, the Air Navigation Commission considered that an effective date of 4 August 2025 and the following proposed applicability dates, would be suitable for Amendment 18 to Annex 14, Volume I:

- i. 27 November 2025 for provisions related to aerodrome design, visual aids and apron management service;
- ii. 26 November 2026 for provisions related to ground handling; and
- iii. 21 November 2030 for provisions related to obstacle limitation surfaces.

21. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as contained in Appendix A to the working paper, as well as the impact assessment provided in Appendix B to the working paper.

22. Following consideration, the Council, by 33 votes in favour, 1 vote against, and no abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 18 to Annex 14, Volume I, the amendments to definitions and to Standards and Recommended Practices as contained in Appendix C to the working paper;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Notes as contained in

Appendix C to the working paper;

- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption in Appendix D to the working paper;
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 14, Volume I, as contained in Appendix E to the working paper; and
- e) invited the Secretariat to provide Member States with the support needed to facilitate the implementation of amendment 18 to Annex 14 Volume I, including through additional training and the timely issuance of guidance material.

Adoption of Amendment 10 to Annex 14 — *Aerodromes, Volume II — Heliports*

23. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15662 which presented a proposal from the Air Navigation Commission for Amendment 10 to Annex 14 — *Aerodromes, Volume II — Heliports*.

24. It was noted that having examined the technical circumstances associated with the implementation of the amendment, the Air Navigation Commission considered that an effective date of 4 August 2025 and proposed applicability date of 27 November 2025 would be suitable for Amendment 10 to Annex 14, Volume II, with the exception of the proposed amendments related to certification and an SMS for heliports for which the applicability date should be 26 November 2026.

25. The Council also took note of the implementation task list, including an outline of guidance material, as contained in Appendix A to the working paper, as well as the impact assessment provided in Appendix B to the working paper.

26. Following consideration, the Council, by 34 votes in favour, no votes against, and no abstentions (2 Representatives being absent):

- a) adopted, as Amendment 10 to Annex 14, Volume II, the amendments to definitions and to Standards and Recommended Practices as contained in Appendix C to the working paper;
- b) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to Notes as contained in Appendix C to the working paper;
- c) approved the Resolution of Adoption in Appendix D to the working paper; and
- d) approved, as part of the said amendment, the amendment to the Foreword of Annex 14, Volume II, as contained in Appendix E to the working paper.

Report of the fifth meeting of the Industry Consultative Forum (ICF/5)

27. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15666, which presented the report and recommendations arising from the fifth meeting of the Industry Consultative Forum (ICF/5), which had been held from 28 to 29 October 2024, as well as provided a progress update on the status of preparations for ICF/6.

28. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) expressed its appreciation to the ICF Steering Group (SGICF) for its ongoing efforts

to facilitate and strengthen the Organization's engagement with leaders of the industry;

- b) noting the information contained in C-WP/15666, endorsed the recommendations arising from the fifth meeting of the ICF, as outlined in paragraph 2 of the working paper;
- c) requested that the Secretariat transmit the ICF/5 report and recommendations to the Air Navigation Commission (ANC) for their consideration and in order to ensure that relevant aspects of the recommendations would be taken into account in the ongoing work programmes of the ANC and the Panels; and
- d) invited the SGICF to continue its work to organize the sixth meeting of the ICF, to take place from 28 to 29 April 2025 in a hybrid format, and which will consist of a high-level horizon-scanning of trends in international civil aviation, in line with the updated concept note presented in Appendix B.

Addressing Workforce Challenges in Aviation: A Global Governmental Perspective

29. The Council considered this item on the basis of C-WP/15691 presented jointly by the Egypt, El Salvador, Malaysia, Mauritania, Nigeria, Qatar, South Africa, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), and Zimbabwe, which reported on the outcome of a panel discussion on "Efforts of Governments in Shaping Aviation's Social Sustainability", which was convened during the World Government Summit (WGS) held from 11 to 13 February 2025, in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

30. Following consideration, the Council:

- a) acknowledged the challenges identified over the course of the panel discussion held during the WGS with respect to building a sustainable aviation workforce capable of supporting the demands of a growing air transport industry, and in that regard, reaffirmed the important role of ICAO and the Next Generation of Aviation Professionals (NGAP) programme in overcoming these challenges;
- b) requested that the Secretariat advocate for greater stakeholder engagement on the key issues highlighted in paragraph 3.2 of C-WP/15691, as well as the additional elements identified by the Council over the course of its deliberations, namely to support the establishment of a sustainable skills pipeline, including through standardized aviation education programmes and uniform competency standards, while encouraging States, industry, academia, and other stakeholders to take coordinated action in areas under their respective responsibilities;
- c) further requested the Secretariat to advance these elements through the NGAP Programme and NGAP-specific events and other relevant ICAO gatherings, with the aim of raising awareness and mobilizing collaborative efforts at global, regional, and national levels to address these issues;
- d) invited the Council Small Group on the Social Dimension of Sustainability (SGSDS) to prepare an implementation plan that could serve to guide and monitor the progress made to advance the elements listed in paragraph 3.2 of the working paper, and to report to the Council, accordingly; and
- e) invited the President of the Council and the Secretary General to share the progress made toward the implementation of the NGAP, including any additional developments arising from the 42nd Session of the Assembly, with the next WGS, once approved by

the Council.

Any other business

Amendment to the work programme of the Council

31. On the basis of a proposal by the President of the Council, and in addition to the amendments to the work programme for the 234th Session and reflected in the Addendum/Corrigendum No. 1 to C-WP/15614 Revision No. 1, the Council agreed to further amend its work programme, with the addition of the working paper, Election of the Chairperson of the Climate and Environment Committee (CEC).

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