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DRAFT TRANSITION PLAN

(Presented by New Zealand)

SUMMARY

This information paper details the New Zealand transition to the new Flight Plan and ATS Message Formats.

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 ICAO APANPIRG/20 Conclusion 20/8 required States to inform Regional Office, by 1 Jul 2010, of their scheduled date and implementation methodology for transition to the new Flight Plan and ATS Message formats detailed in Amendment 1 to the 15th Edition of PANS-ATM Doc4444.

2. DISCUSSION

- 2.1 Airways is aiming to have all software changes completed by the 17 NOV 2011 AIRAC allowing the New Zealand implementation to occur in 3 phases:

- Phase 1 – internal testing until 31 March 2012
- Phase 2 – external testing 1 April 2012 until 30 June 2012 (adjacent ANSPs and airspace users)
- Phase 3 – staggered migration of airspace users to the NEW format commencing 26 July 2012 AIRAC
- NEW only from 15 November 2012

- 2.2 Throughout the 3 phase implementation process the domestic (SkyLine) and oceanic (OCS) ATM systems will accept both NEW and PRESENT formats.

If an adjacent FIR has not transitioned to NEW the oceanic ATM system will convert NEW Item 10 and 18 data in AIDC messages to PRESENT.

In Phase 3 airspace users will be invited to implement the NEW format. A staggered implementation is anticipated with the Airways Internet Flight Information Service website (IFIS) being modified to accept NEW (only) from 26 July 2012 AIRAC.

3 ACTION BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to note the information presented in this paper.

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