



## INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

**TWENTY-SECOND MEETING OF THE  
ASIA/PACIFIC AIR NAVIGATION PLANNING AND  
IMPLEMENTATION REGIONAL GROUP (APANPIRG/22)**

*Bangkok, Thailand, 5-9 September 2011*

---

**Agenda Item 3: Performance Framework for Regional Air Navigation Planning  
and Implementation**
**3.2 ATM/AIS/SAR**
**ICAO ASIA PACIFIC ATS ROUTE CATALOGUE**

(Presented by IATA)

**SUMMARY**

This paper reviews the use of the Asia Pacific ATS Route Catalogue and calls for increased feedback as a means of strengthening the process.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 The ICAO Asia Pacific Region ATS Route Catalogue <http://www.bangkok.icao.int/edocs/index.html> was developed in 2004 as a supplement to the Basic Air Navigation Plan and to assist with the amendment/tracking process. It is intended to be reviewed annually by the appropriate Coordination Group meeting.

1.2 The current edition is version 9 effective 6 May 2011.

**2. DISCUSSION**

2.1 While the ATS Route Catalogue is reviewed at least annually, there are a large number of the proposals that have been included for some considerable time.

2.2 Although it is only intended as a planning tool, the Route Catalogue does serve a useful purpose as a repository of proposals, particularly given the considerable time taken for implementation.

2.3 With limited (or no) feedback from States however there is no visibility on the viability of the various proposals and no indication of expected difficulties or prospective timelines.

2.4 IATA believes that it is important for Stakeholders to not only review on a regular basis, but also to provide feedback as to the status of the proposals (as appropriate).

2.5 This should also include potential conflicts (e.g. Military considerations, etc).

2.6 Where routes are unable to be implemented in the short term, this should be included in the route catalogue with the appropriate reasoning provided.

## Agenda Item: 3.2

2.7 It is also important to note that the proposals are often based on traffic flows and seek to deliver increased efficiencies over an entire route. Where individual ATM issues may preclude the specific proposal, States should clearly identify the specific issue and where able, present an alternative solution that would meet the concept of the original proposal.

2.8 IATA suggests that APANPIRG should urge State to provide meaningful feedback to any proposal contained within the ICAO Asia Pacific ATS Route Catalogue.

2.9 APANPIRG may consider the following draft conclusion for adoption:

**Draft Conclusion 22/xx – ICAO ATS Asia Pacific Route Catalogue**

That States should review the proposals within the ICAO Asia Pacific Route Catalogue and provide feedback to ICAO for new proposals pertaining to their State and then at least annually thereafter. This feedback should include (but is not limited to):

- Viability of proposal
- Identification of issues to be addressed (e.g. Restricted areas, LOA's, etc)
- Proposed priority/ timeline (e.g. short/medium/long term or an estimated date)
- Counter proposals where the original proposal is deemed impossible/unlikely

### **3. ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) recognize the importance of the ICAO Asia Pacific ATS Route Catalogue;
- b) consider for adoption the Draft Conclusion proposed in Para 2.9 above and urge States to provide feedback to ICAO on the individual proposals applicable to their State; and
- c) urge States to identify and review proposals pertaining to their State and provide feedback as noted above

— END —