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INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

Twenty-Fifth Meeting of the AFI Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APIRG/25)

8 to 9 November 2022

Agenda Item 7: Review and update of the Work Programme of APIRG and its Contributory Bodies
Future Work Programme of the APIRG and its Contributory Bodies*(Presented by the Secretariat)***SUMMARY**

This paper presents the proposed future work programmes and meeting plans of APIRG and its contributory bodies for the period up to December 2023 for discussion.

Action by the Meeting is provided in paragraph 3

REFERENCES

- APIRG Procedural Handbook
- ICAO Council Decision C-DEC 219/7
- APCC/6, RASC/8 and ARC-TF/5 Meetings Reports
- AAO/SG5 and IIM/SG5 Meetings reports
- Report of the Twenty-Fourth Meeting of the AFI Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APIRG/24)

Strategic Objectives

A – Safety, B – Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency, D – Economic Development of Air Transport, and E – Environmental Protection.

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 It is recalled that APIRG is primarily responsible for the development and maintenance of the Regional AFI Air Navigation Plan (eANP, ICAO Doc 7474), as well as the identification and resolution of air navigation deficiencies. It is a planning and coordination mechanism and, while implementation is the responsibility of States, APIRG can play a significant role in supporting the implementation of Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) as well as regional requirements.
- 1.2 Following the review of the terms of reference (ToR) of the PIRGs and RASGs by the ICAO Council to improve the performance and expected results of the Groups, the twenty second Meeting of the AFI Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APIRG/22) and the Fifth Meeting of the Regional Aviation Safety Group for Africa-Indian Ocean (RASG-AFI/5) held

in Accra, Ghana, in July 2019, requested the Secretariat to make consequential changes to the APIRG and RASG-AFI Procedural Handbooks (APIRG/22&RASG-AFI/5 Decision 01/03 refers).

2 DISCUSSIONS

- 2.1. The APIRG ToRs state that at each of its meetings, the Group should endeavor to agree on the date, venue and duration of its next meeting. APIRG meetings will be convened in the Regional Offices, to the extent possible, to facilitate proper access by States. Approval to host PIRG meetings outside of the Regional Office must be obtained from the President of the Council. States that offer to host APIRG meetings including its Sub-Groups will be requested to confirm through a formal offer within three (03) months succeeding the last meeting
- 2.2. To achieve APIRG objectives the frequency of the meetings will be on an annual basis. However, to safeguard coherent and orderly air navigation planning in the interest of States and airspace users in the AFI Region, the Group may determine the need for any additional meeting that may arise.
- 2.3. In this regard, the Secretariat presents the proposal for activities of the AAO and IIM Subgroups, APCC and APIRG for the period up to December 2023 as indicated in the attachment to this paper.

3 ACTION BY THE MEETING

- 3.1. The meeting is invited to:
 - a) Note the information provided in this working paper; and
 - b) Review and endorse the future work programme and the meetings plan of APIRG and its contributory bodies.

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ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

A. AAO/SG WORK PROGRAMME

Year 2022		Year 2023	
Activity	Date	Activity	Date
Release of AAO/SG5 Report:	30 September 2022	Review of Project Teams activities	Quarterly
		Follow up on ASBU Elements implementation Status	Quarterly
		Review of Air Navigation Plan	Quarterly
		Review of Air Navigation deficiencies	Quarterly
		AAO/SG6 Meeting	July 2023

B. IIM/SG WORK PROGRAMME

Year 2022		Year 2023	
Activity	Date	Activity	Date
Project PTCs Coordination Meeting	Dec. 2022	Project PTCs Coordination Meetings	Quarterly
		Review ASBU Elements implementation Status	Quarterly
		Review of AFI Air Navigation Plan	Quarterly
		Review of Air Navigation deficiencies	Quarterly
		Reporting on Projects deliverables	Quarterly
		Bi-monthly meeting of IIM/SG Project Teams	Every two months
		Development of documents of new identified Projects	March 2023
		Development of pending of projects costing	March 2023
		IIM/SG6 Meeting	July 2023

C. APCC AND APIRG WORK PROGRAMME

Year 2022		Year 2023	
Activity	Date	Activity	Date
APIRG/25	7 - 11 Nov. 2022	APCC/8	5-7 September 2023
		ARC-TF/6	19-20 September 2023
		APIRG/26	November 2023

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