

**AFI WORKING GROUP FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATION
3/8 (C) OF THE TWELFTH AIR NAVIGATION COMMISSION ON REGIONAL OR
SUB-REGIONAL AIS DATABASES AS AN ENABLER FOR THE TRANSITION
FROM AIS TO AIM**

(AFI Working Group on ANC 12 Rec.3/8c)

A) TERMS OF REFERENCE

1.1 With a view to engage in intra-regional and interregional cooperation for an expeditious transition from aeronautical information service (AIS) to aeronautical information management (AIM) in a harmonized manner and to using digital data exchange, coordinate and support AIS/AIM implementation activities on a regional basis, the **AFI Working Group on ANC 12 Rec.3/8c** shall be established as follows:

Mission

1.2 To identify, develop, validate and establish support mechanisms and serve as a forum by which the AFI States may implement an expeditious transition from aeronautical information service (AIS) to aeronautical information management (AIM), in accordance with **ANC 12 Rec.3/8c**, ICAO Annex 1 5, in a consistent and harmonized manner and forward a formal submission to the AIM/IM Divisional Meeting scheduled on February 2015 in Montreal, Canada.

Reporting Line

1.3 The **AFI Working Group on ANC 12 Rec.3/8c** will report to the APIRG and the AFI DGCA Meetings.

Participants profile

1.4 The **AFI Working Group on ANC 12 Rec.3/8c** will be open to participants from any relevant domain, including, but not limited to, AIS/AIM personnel, CNS/ATM personnel, Flight Procedures personnel, regulators, industry and international organizations in AFI and non-AFI States.

Tasks

1.5 Overall, the **AFI Working Group on ANC 12 Rec.3/8c** shall support the:

- a) establishment of a common understanding of the intentions of the 12th **Air Navigation Commission Rec.3/8c** and Annex 1 5 with regard to an expeditious transition from aeronautical information service (AIS) to aeronautical information management (AIM);
- b) promotion of awareness of the responsibility and accountability of States for the implementation AIS/AIM Transition processes;
- c) specification of the responsibilities for the bodies involved (regulator, air navigation service provider etc.);
- d) specifications to ensure the eight guiding principles in the development of the associated AFI Region guidance material for the implementation of **ANC 12 Rec.3/8c**. The guidance material should assist in the definition of:

Qualities of data collection techniques;

- Methods for the validation and verification of data;
 - Mechanisms for the storage and exchange of data;
 - Data protection and other quality processes;
 - Quality management / assurance (verification and validation) criteria;
 - Cross-border harmonization;
 - Methodologies for cost recovery, if appropriate;
 - Guidance relating to the assessment of data for periodically (timeliness).
- e) working with each other to develop harmonized approaches to copyright, liability, intellectual property, and methodologies for cost recovery, if appropriate; etc.;
- f) Review of the requirements for linking to the Regional Databases;
- g) introduction by States, of regulation to support the act of data provision; facilitation and coordination of implementing an expeditious transition from aeronautical information service (AIS) to aeronautical information management (AIM) within AFI Region;
- h) monitoring of the progress towards implementation of AIS/AIM Transition within the AFI Region;
- i) the promotion of the means for global harmonization;
- j) submission of material created under the project to ICAO and its promotion on a world-wide basis; and
- k) AIM domain in gaining the necessary support and resources from the responsible State Agency management.

B) COMPOSITION

1.6 The AFI **Working Group on ANC 12 Rec.3/8c** will be composed of Experts nominated by the AFI Region States, ANSP and participants from any relevant domain, including, but not limited to AIS/AIM personnel, CNS/ATM personnel, Flight Procedures personnel, regulators, industry and international organizations in AFI and non-AFI States.

1.7 Other representatives from industry and user organizations having a vested interest in the aeronautical services and AIS/AIM transitions in particular, could participate in the work of this Working Group.

C) WORKING ARRANGEMENTS

1.8 The AFI **Working Group on ANC 12 Rec.3/8c** shall report to the AFI Planning Implementation Regional Group (APIRG) and the DGCA Meetings. The work of the AFI **Working Group on ANC 12 Rec.3/8c** shall be carried out mainly through exchange of correspondence (email, facsimile, Tel., etc) between its Members.

1.9 The Working Group shall meet as required and at least once in every year prior to an APIRG or a DGCA Meeting. The convening of the Working Group meetings should be initiated by the established Major Regional Database Providers ATNS or ASECNA based on the need to address AIS - AIM deficiencies in the AFI Region.
