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**Fifth Meeting of the APIRG Airspace and Aerodrome Operations Sub-Group
(AAO/SG5), Virtual Meeting, 23 to 26 August 2022**
Agenda Item 3: Achievements in AOP and ATM/SAR
**STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GLOBAL REPORTING FORMAT
FOR RUNWAY SURFACE CONDITION (GRF) IN THE AFI REGION**
(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY
<p>This working paper presents the status of implementation of the global reporting format for runway surface condition (GRF) in the AFI region.</p> <p>Action by the meeting in paragraph 3</p>
<p>REFERENCE(S):</p> <p>APIRG/24 report AAO/SG4 report</p>
<p>Related ICAO Strategic Objective(s):</p> <p>This working document relates to ICAO Strategic Objectives: A-Safety, B-Air navigation capacity and efficiency</p>

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The meeting will recall the APIRG/24 Conclusion 24/16, which states :

That, in order to ensure effective implementation of Global Reporting Format (GRF), States to continuously update ICAO Regional Offices on the status of the implementation including the challenges encountered.

1.2 ICAO conducted a follow up workshop to determine the Status of implementation of GRF in the AFI Region in April 2022 in which States shared their experiences at level of implementation.

2. DISCUSSIONS

2.1 As a critical enhancement of aerodrome operations, the implementation of the Global Reporting Format for runway surface conditions (GRF) was adopted in 2016 for applicability in November 2021. To date, the status of implementation of GRF is as follows:

- WACAF region: 29%
- ESAF region: 55%

2.2 The rate of implementation of the GRF is still slow in the AFI region, as illustrated in Appendix A and B of this working paper. The main challenges are the training, the amendment of

regulations, the change management process, and the lack of resources. It has been noted that collaboration is key to expediting the implementation of GRF.

3. ACTIONS BY THE MEETING

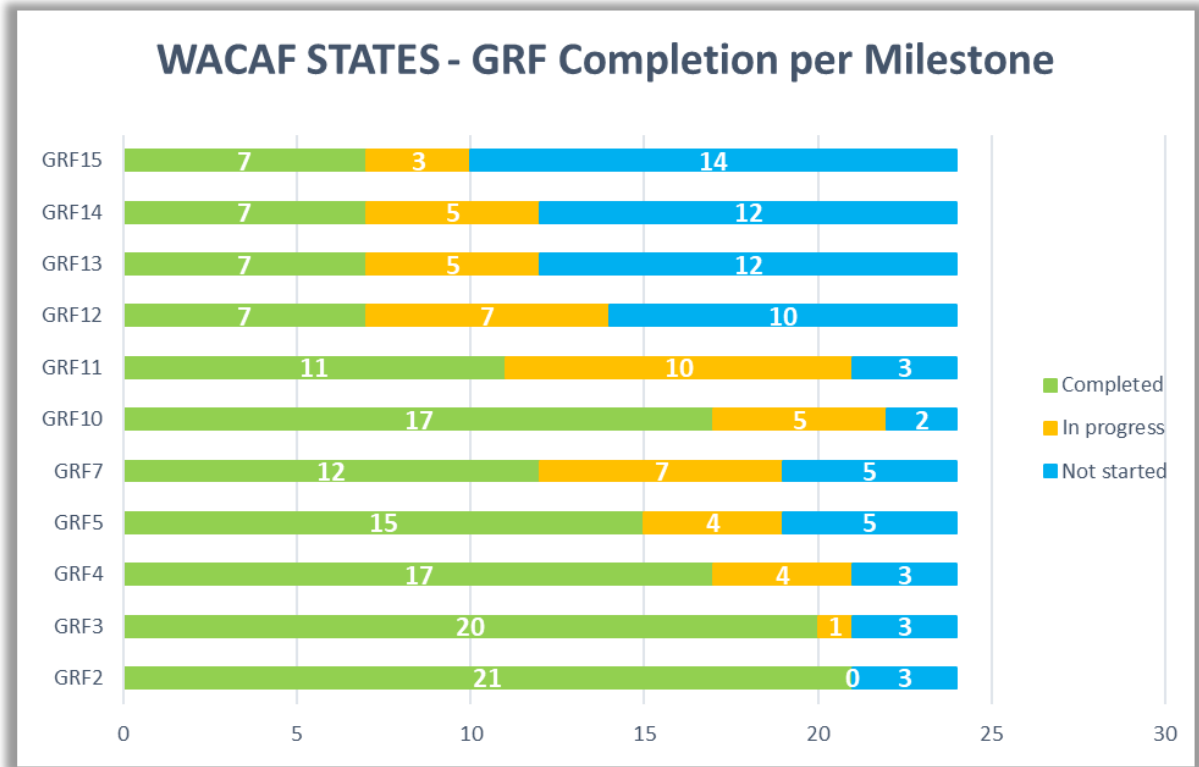
3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a. Take note of the information provided in this paper,
- b. Encourage States to report the status of implementation of the GRF and request assistance on their specific challenges
- c. Urge States to develop and implement mechanisms to facilitate collaboration between the key stakeholders of GRF
- d. Urge Regional offices and RSOOs to enhance the sharing and exchange of best practices between States

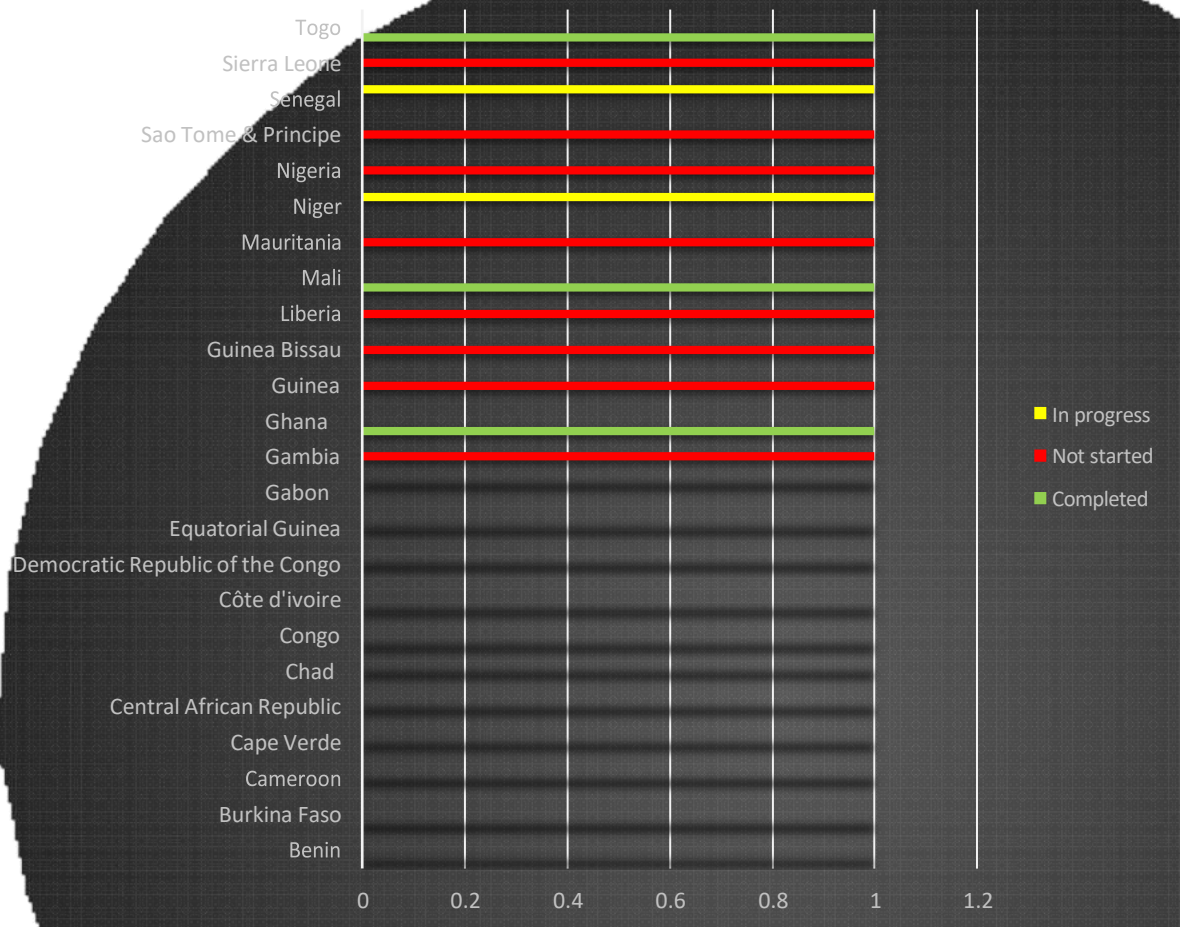
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APPENDIX A

STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF GRF IN THE WACAF REGION



WACAF - GRF FULL IMPLEMENTATION STATUS



APPENDIX B

STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF GRF IN THE ESAF REGION

Full Implementation accounts for the majority of 'Field1'.

