

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

Seventh Meeting of the Civil Aviation Authorities of the SAM Region (RAAC/7)

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

- Item 1: New scenario of the air transport and airport privatization
- Item 2: AVSEC and future perspectives
- Item 3: Regional System of Safety Oversight
- Item 4: Transition to the CNS/ATM System
- a) Pre-operational tests;
 - b) Multinational Systems and Services – South American Regional Network (REDDIG);
 - c) RVSM Implementation;
 - d) CSTB (CAR/SAM Testing Bed).
- Item 5: State participation in the regional activities
- a) CAR/SAM Regional Planning and Implementation Group (GREPECAS);
 - b) Deficiency reduction/correction;
 - c) Airport Certification/Evaluation;
 - d) ATM/Quality control.
- Item 6: Technical Cooperation in the SAM Region
- Item 7: Follow-up of RAAC/6 Conclusions
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EXPLANATORY NOTES ON THE PROPOSED AGENDA

Item 1: New scenario of the air transport and airport privatization

The process of airport privatization practically occurs in the entire SAM Region. Generally speaking, this process has reduced the CAA (Civil Aviation Authorities) incomes. As a consequence, the airport infrastructure and the civil aviation investments have also been reduced. Regulatory agencies of concession, private operators of airports and other factors contribute to create a new scenario of the air transport in the SAM Region, which needs to be analyzed by the Meeting.

Item 2: AVSEC and future perspectives

The tragic events of 11 September 2001 in the United States caught the attention of the international aeronautical community for studying new approaches for preserving the air transport safety in order to give back the confidence of the users on this type of transportation. The meeting is also expected to analyze the results of the high-level Ministerial Conference convoked by ICAO and to revise the level of implementation of the initiatives on the subject, adopted by the States in the Region.

Item 3: Regional System of Safety Oversight

The civil aviation authorities will receive information on the state of implementation of the Regional Safety System, which was approved during the RAAC/5 (Cusco, Peru, June 1996). It is also expected that the Meeting analyzes and establishes general guidelines for the evolution of this system at medium and large terms.

Item 4: Transition to the CNS/ATM system

Under this important item of the agenda, the Meeting will receive a report on the transition to the CNS/ATM systems in the CAR/SAM regions. Emphasis will be addressed to the preoperational test and the need of regional agreements in order to establish multinational services and facilities. The participation of the technical cooperation mechanisms will also be analyzed during the transition process.

Item 5: State participation in the regional activities

A summary of the most important conclusions and actions suggested during the Tenth Meeting of the CAR/SAM Regional Planning and Implementation Group (GREPECAS), carried out in Las Palmas, Gran Canaria, Spain, from 23 to 27 October 2001, will be presented in the Meeting. The themes that need to be considered in an integrated and harmonic way in the SAM Region, with effective State participation, will be stressed. The States will be invited to discuss the theme and delineate how to reduce/correct the occurrence of the deficiencies in the SAM Region in a coordinated and integrated way. In addition, the Meeting will be informed on the basic aspects of the Manual on Certification of Aerodromes, ICAO Doc 9774, AN/969, first edition, 2001.

Item 6: Technical Cooperation in the SAM Region

A summary of the technical cooperation activities in the Region and their impact on the improvement of the air navigation services and the institutional strengthening of the civil aviation authorities will be provided. In addition, information on the regional project activities will also be presented.

Item 7: Follow-up of RAAC/6 Conclusions

Under this Agenda Item, the Meeting will be able to review RAAC/6 Conclusions and take the necessary actions on those that remain outstanding as of this date.

Item 8: Other items

In this Agenda item, the Meeting could present any other important subject for the SAM Region.