

**INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION  
SOUTH AMERICAN REGIONAL OFFICE**

**INFORMAL MEETING ON SEARCH AND RESCUE SERVICES FOR THE SAM REGION  
(SAM 90/03 SAR)**

**(Lima, Peru, 8 to 12 September 2003)**

**AGENDA, WORKING METHODS, SCHEDULE AND WORK PLAN**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

1. **Agenda**

1.1 The tentative agenda and the corresponding explanatory notes of the Informal Meeting on Search and Rescue Services for the SAM Region, is attached as **Appendix A** of this working paper.

1.2 Those matters that are not contemplated in the Agenda could be considered under agenda item 6: Other matters.

2. **Working methods**

2.1 For the development of this meeting, it is expected to work in plenary session and Ad-Hoc groups, if necessary.

2.2 During the course of the Meeting, a Summary of Discussions and Conclusions will be prepared for its distribution to the States and international organizations interested.

2.3 The administrative issues and documentation process of the meeting will be in charge of Secretariat of the ICAO South American Regional Office.

3. **Schedule**

3.1 Subject to modifications and as required, the following schedule is suggested for adoption:

09.00 to 10.45	Discussion of Agenda Items
10.45 to 11.00	Recess
11:00 to 12:45	Discussion of Agenda Items
12:45 to 13:00	Recess
13:00 to 14.00	Discussion of Agenda Items

4. **Work Plan**

4.1 **Appendix B** to this working paper includes the tentative work programme.

4.2 The approval of this tentative plan is suggested, taking into consideration that, in the light of the progress reached, the meeting shall adopt the modifications deemed pertinent.

## **APPENDIX A**

### **Tentative Agenda and Explanatory Notes on the Agenda**

#### Agenda Item 1. Evaluation of the SAR Service in the SAM Region

- a) Review of the status of compliance of CAR/SAM/3 RAN Meetings Recommendations and Conclusions (Buenos Aires, Argentina, 1999).
- b) Review of the current situation – Organization of the Aeronautical SAR Service and SAM States search and rescue means affected

When dealing with this agenda item, it is intended to establish the SAR administrative organization and operational availability in each SAM State, with a view to detect and eliminate deficiencies and improve the quality of service provision in the whole SAM Region. In view of this, it is expected that each SAM State provide the meeting with updated information corresponding to its administration.

#### Agenda Item 2. Review of SAR National Plans for its harmonization at a regional level

Under this agenda item, it is expected that each State present the corresponding updated SAR National Plan. Thus, the meeting will be able to evaluate the necessary actions to harmonize all the plans at a regional level.

#### Agenda Item 3. Cooperation to improve the aeronautical SAR service

- a) Coordination with the Aeronautical SAR among SAM States.
- b) Coordination among aeronautical SAR authorities with maritime SAR authorities to obtain information from the AMVER system, as well as the performance of SAR operations using means of both services.
- c) Coordination among SAM aeronautical SAR with SICOFAA authorities.

From the analysis that this meeting will carry out, it is expected that actions coordinated at a regional level will arise so that the SAM States Civil Aviation Administrations within its jurisdiction, enforce the aeronautical SAR service, with the contribution of means and specialized personnel of other national or international SAR services, thus contributing to strengthen their own SAR National Plans.

Agenda Item 4. SAR Training in the SAM Region

- a) Candidates requirements affecting SAR service and preparation and utilization of SAR didactic material for training purposes
- b) SAR exercises

The review of this agenda item intends to identify the different training centres where there are SAR courses in the SAM Region, so that the meeting may agree on a regional methodology that enables the access to basic and/or advanced training courses to all SAM States, both for personel that provides or shall provide services in the management of a SAR service, such as an RCC or RSC, or for SAR personnel assigned to the different terrestrial, maritime and aeronautical means, to integrate SAR brigades foreseen in the SAR National Plan.

Likewise, it is expected that the meeting will agree on different alternatives for the coordination and implementation of joint SAR services among SAM States.

Agenda Item 5. COSPAS-SARSAT in the SAM Region

- a) Review of the status of application of standards for the use of ELT in 406 MHz and review of the status of implementation and operation of the Data bank and data supplier, of SAM States
- b) Review of the implementation and operation of ground segments in South America. Evaluation for the assignment of a Nodal MCC for the COSPAS -SARSAT South American Region.

It is expected that the meeting will carry out an exhaustive review of the current situation of the status of application of standards for the use of ELT in 406 MHz, of the status of implementation and operation of the data bank and data supplier of SAM States. Likewise it is expected that the meeting will review the implementation and operation of Ground Segments in South America, to establish whether there are condition for the assignments of a Nodal MCC for the COSPAS-SARSAT South American Region.

Agenda Item 6. Other matters

The meeting will review other issues that have not been dealt with in previous agenda items and which are related with the agenda.

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**APPENDIX B**

**Work Plan**

Hour	MONDAY 8	Hour	TUESDAY 9	WEDNESDAY 10	THURSDAY 11	HOUR	FRIDAY 12
08:30-09:00	Registry						
09:00-09:15	Meetings with Heads of Delegation	09:00-10:45	Item 2	Cont. Item 3	Item 5	09:00-10:45	Review of the preliminary report
09:30-09:45	Opening						
09:45-10:00	Recess						
10:00-12:30	Item 1	10:45-11:00	Recess	Recess	Recess	10:45-11:00	Recess
		11:00-12:45	Item 2	Cont Item 3	Cont. Item 5	11:00-12:45	Approval of the Report by the Meeting
12:30-13:00	Recess	12:45-13:00	Recess	Recess	Recess	12:45-13:00	Closing
13:00-14:00	Cont. Item 1	13:00-14:00	Item 3	Item 4	Item 6		