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Subject: **RLA/03/902 –Transition to the GNSS/SBAS in the CAR/SAM Regions – SACCSA.
Seventh Meeting of the Coordination Committee (RCC/7)**
San Carlos de Bariloche, Argentina, 11-15 October 2010

Dear Sir:

I have the honour to invite your Administration to participate at the Seventh Meeting of the Coordination Committee (RCC/7) of Project RLA/03/902 – “*Transition to the GNSS/SBAS in the CAR/SAM Regions – Augmentation Solution for the Caribbean, Central America and South America (SACCSA)*”, which, in response to a kind offer of the National Civil Aviation Administration of Argentina (ANAC), will be held in the city of San Carlos de Bariloche, province of Río Negro, Argentina, on 11-15 October 2010. The meeting will be conducted in Spanish, but simultaneous translation into English will be offered if a minimum of three English-Speaking States are registered by 10 September 2010.

At this Seventh Meeting of the Coordination Committee of the SACCSA Project, topics of interest concerning the status of the Project will be addressed, and the initial results of Phase III of this Project will be presented.

Normally, Project members participate in this type of meetings, but the significant progress made, and the results obtained by SACCSA and its projections concerning GNSS are considered to be of interest for GREPECAS and for advancing this issue in the CAR/SAM Regions. Accordingly, we are extending this invitation to all the States and international organisations (Project members and non-members) that might be interested in participating and following up the activities of Project RLA/03/902. Thus, non-members would honour us with their presence as observers at this Seventh Meeting of the RCC.

In this respect, I suggest that Project member Administrations include in their respective delegation at least one official with authority to make relevant decisions regarding the Project. It would

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also be useful to have personnel directly involved in the execution of this Project and GNSS implementation. In this regard, I am pleased to inform you that ICAO will grant **two fellowships** (excluding air tickets) to each State/International Organisation member of the Project (Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Panama, Spain, Venezuela and COCESNA) to attend the meeting.

Other States/International Organisations interested in participating in the meeting may cover their costs through an ICAO technical cooperation project existing in the respective country, or through the budget of their respective administration.

The Provisional Agenda for the RCC/7 Meeting appears in the **Attachment** to this letter. I will send the work schedule as soon as it is available, together with general information on the meeting (IP/01). Likewise, the documentation for this meeting will be posted on the website of the ICAO Regional Offices of Lima, <http://www.lima.icao.int/> and Mexico, <http://www.mexico.icao.int/>

In order to complete the administrative arrangements for the aforementioned event, I would appreciate it if you could let me know by **10 September 2010** if your Administration has any comments on the provisional Agenda and if it is planning to submit any documents to the meeting.

Likewise, please let me know the composition of your delegation, since this information is important for administrative and logistic purposes.

Finally, I would like to inform you that ANAC is offering all participants at this RCC/7 Meeting a guided visit to INVAP headquarters in the city of San Carlos de Bariloche, in the Nahuel Huapi National Park. INVAP is a State-owned technological company engaged in the development of state-of-the-art technology in several areas, including space technology, for the implementation of space projects, with capacity for, and experience in, the design, construction, testing and operation of satellites.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration



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Cc: A/D/TCB

Attachment: *Provisional Agenda*



INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

Project RLA/03/902 –Transition to the GNSS/SBAS in the CAR/SAM Regions - SACCSA

Seventh Meeting of the Coordination Committee (RCC/7)

San Carlos de Bariloche, Argentina, 11-15 October 2010

Provisional Agenda

Part I – Project review and coordination

- Agenda Item 1: Follow-up of outstanding conclusions of Project Coordination Committee meetings**
- Agenda Item 2: Presentation of Phase III of SACCSA**
- Agenda Item 3: International bidding process and presentation of the selected bid**
- Agenda Item 4: Review of membership and points of contact for Project coordination**
- Agenda Item 5: Review of the financial status of the Project**
- Agenda Item 6: Review of the current status of the Project**
- Agenda Item 7: Project management and coordination model**
- Agenda Item 8: Position of the Project with respect to meetings of the GREPECAS mechanism and International Organisations**
- Agenda Item 9: Other matters**

Part II – Initial results of Phase III of the Project

- Presentation 1:** Network of data collection stations
- Presentation 2:** Final network topology
- Presentation 3:** Monitoring network
- Presentation 4:** Preliminary results of the Central Processing Unit prototype
- Presentation 5:** Interoperability analysis
- Presentation 6:** Initial service provision simulations
- Presentation 7:** Initial ionosphere analyses
- Presentation 8:** SACCSA website
- Presentation 9:** Other uses of SACCSA
- Presentation 10:** Ongoing and pending tasks and timetable

Other presentations

Round-table discussion

Provisional agenda
Explanatory notes

Part I – Project review and coordination

Agenda Item 1: Follow-up of outstanding conclusions of Project Coordination Committee meetings

Under this agenda item, the meeting will analyse follow-up activities with respect to the outstanding conclusions of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Coordination Committee (RCC/E), held in San José, Costa Rica, on 20-24 April 2009, those of the Sixth Meeting of the Project Coordination Committee (RCC/6), held in Santiago, Chile, on 17-18 April 2008, as well as those from other meetings of the RCC of this project.

Agenda Item 2: Presentation of Phase III of SACCSA

Under this agenda item, the activities of Phase III of the Project will be presented.

Agenda Item 3: International bidding process and presentation of the selected bid

The meeting is expected to take note of the international bidding process conducted by the Technical Cooperation Bureau (TCB) in keeping with the procedures established by ICAO, as well as the presentation of the selected bid.

Agenda Item 4: Review of membership and points of contact for Project coordination

Under this agenda item, the meeting will review the updated information on the States and International Organisations that are currently members of the Project - Phase III, as well as an update of the points of contact designated by each Member State and International Organisation with a view to optimising the efficacy of Project activity coordination.

Agenda Item 5: Review of the financial status of the Project

Under this agenda item, the meeting will update and review the information on the expenditures incurred to date, as well as the status of contributions by States, International Organisations and other entities participating in the Project. Likewise, the meeting will review the budget for completing Phase III.

Agenda Item 6: Review of the current status of the Project

Based on detailed information to be provided, the meeting will review the status of implementation of Project activities to date.

Agenda Item 7: Project management and coordination model

Under this agenda item, the meeting will review the management and coordination model that is being

applied in the Project.

Agenda Item 8: Position of the Project with respect to meetings of the GREPECAS mechanism and International Organisations

In order for the Project to continue providing all possible support to the GREPECAS mechanism and present to CAR/SAM States, Territories and International Organisations the objectives and achievements of the Project, as well as recommendations on the implementation of the GNSS and its augmentation systems, the meeting will take note of the results of the First Meeting of the CNS Subgroup, held in Lima, Peru, on 15-19 March 2010; it will also analyse the contributions that might be offered during the next GNSS-related meetings of the GREPECAS mechanism foreseen for the 2010 – 2011 period, including the GREPECAS/16 meeting.

The meeting is also expected to review the results of GNSS-related meetings of International Organisations, providing guidance for the development of positions for future meetings of these organisations.

Agenda Item 9: Other matters

The meeting would analyse other aspects it may deem relevant in connection to the Project.

Part II – Initial results of Phase III of the Project

Under Part II of the Agenda, the initial results of Phase III of the Project will be presented in relation to the following work packages:

- Network of data collection stations
- Final network topology
- Monitoring network
- Preliminary results of the Central Processing Unit prototype
- Interoperability analysis
- Initial service provision simulations
- Initial ionosphere analyses
- SACCSA site
- Other uses of SACCSA
- Ongoing and pending tasks and timetable
- Other presentations

At the end of the presentation of each topic, there will be a question and answer session to clarify and expand on aspects of the presentations. Likewise, at the conclusion of all the presentations, a round-table has been foreseen for discussing all the items presented, especially the initial results obtained in Phase III. The results of this discussion will be taken into account by the Project for completing the tasks of Phase III.

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