



**Agenda Item 3: Implementation of the Air Traffic Flow Management (ATFM)**

**2015 Copa América in Chile**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
The purpose of this working paper is to analyse the possibility of impact on the regional air traffic flow management because of the 2015 Copa America to be held in Chile from 11 June to 4 July 2015 and to consider the establishment of minimum measures to reduce the impact on air traffic flow management in the Region	
<b>REFERENCE:</b>	
Regional and international extraordinary events in the SAM Region	
<b>ICAO strategic objectives:</b>	<i>A - Safety</i> <i>B - Air navigation capacity and efficiency</i> <i>E - Environmental protection</i>

**1. Introduction**

1.1 With the intention of efficiently attending a possible increase in the demand foreseen for the Copa America to be held in the Republic of Chile from 11 June to 14 July 2015, it is necessary to analyse the implementation of rules, balance of ATC and airport capacities foreseen for this event.

**2. Discussion**

2.1 Extraordinary events that can generate greater demand than regular, require of a perfect coordination between the domestic and international air traffic units. Such coordination allows the maximum performance of ATS, ATFM, air operations and airspace management safety, thus reducing the impact of increased demand during the event period.

2.2 The preparation of these events may involve the need to establish a basic Action Plan with the necessary measures for proper flow management. It is the magnitude of the event and its impact which determines the need of a specific Action Plan for same, including inter alia: strategy of preventive and corrective maintenance of navigation and communication equipment; strengthening of operational and maintenance human resources; daily operational reports to air traffic controllers, etc.

2.3 According to the available information, the cities of Antofagasta, Viña del Mar, Valparaiso, Rancagua, La Serena, Santiago, Temuco and Concepcion will be the venues for the competition, beginning on 11 June and ending on 4 July 2015.

2.4 Based on a possible increase of air traffic demand and to air traffic flow management measures already scheduled, it should be also analysed whether the magnitude of the event deserves the realization of ATFM teleconferences to clarify any doubt among SAM States regarding the air traffic flow management strategy developed by Chile.

2.5 Another aspect to be considered is that the States of the Region should take appropriate provisions to avoid, as far as possible, the adoption of unilateral flow restriction measures, mainly those based on time, without considering the possibility of vertical separation as, for instance, the acceptance of the transfer of only one aircraft every 10 minutes, regardless of flight level.

3. **Suggested action:**

3.1 The Meeting is invited to analyse:

- a) the possible impact of 2015 Copa America in Chile; and
- b) to establish minimum measures to assure a regional air traffic flow management, taking into consideration the capacity and demand foreseen, with the minimum impact on States of the Region.

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