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Agenda Item 3: Review of AGA Deficiencies
3.2 AGA Deficiencies and Action Plans

AGA DEFICIENCIES AND ACTION PLANS

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This working paper presents the current version of the ICAO aerodromes deficiencies database for the CAR/SAM Regions for consideration of the Meeting.

References:

- Final Report of the GREPECAS/12 Meeting, La Havana, Cuba, 07-11 July 2004
- Final Report of the GREPECAS/13 Meeting, Santiago, Chile, 14-19 November 2005
- ICAO aerodromes deficiencies database (GREPECAS)

1. Introduction

1.1 The current version of the AGA/AOP database of the reporting form of aerodromes deficiencies in the CAR/SAM Regions, including those which have been reported to have been corrected, was already presented in the WP/03 to this Meeting. Likewise, the Meeting took note that the table of deficiencies is still very extensive.

1.2 GREPECAS, in this last two Meetings (12th and 13th), has intensified its actions for the reduction/elimination of the deficiencies in all the air navigation areas. The emphasis imposed by GREPECAS in its last Meeting is being focused afterwards. Also, the actions carried out by the Subgroup regarding this matter, during 2005 and 2006, are presented in item 3.

2. GREPECAS/13 Meeting

2.1 The GREPECAS/13 Meeting, was held in Santiago, Chile, from 14 to 19 November 2005. In reviewing the GREPECAS database regarding the air navigation deficiencies the Meeting observed that the States/Territories of both Regions are not taking advantage of all the potential of this electronic tool, in order to provide updated information for this database.

2.2 In order to facilitate the exchange of information between the States/Territories and the Regional Offices, the Meeting formulated the following Decision:

DECISION 13/91 FOCAL POINTS FOR GANDD COORDINATION

That the CAR/SAM Regional Offices designate their respective focal points for coordinating the GANDD with the States/Territories/International Organizations, as follows: SAM Office, Mr. Arturo Martínez, am@lima.icao.int and NACC Office, Mr. Gabriel Meneses, gmeneses@mexico.icao.int.

2.3 Also, the Meeting taking into account the lack of submission of action plans for the solution of some deficiencies identified, including those difficulties encountered to carry out the corrective measures, formulated the following Conclusion, to consider the application of last resort action, wherever applicable:

CONCLUSION 13/92 ACTION FOR RESOLVING URGENT AIR NAVIGATION DEFICIENCIES

That, with a view to resolving air navigation deficiencies, especially those that might have a negative impact on safety, States/Territories/International Organizations that have not yet done so:

- a) develop and implement an Action Plan for each deficiency, based on the format presented in the **Appendix E** to this part of the Report, specifying corrective measures, the completion date, and assigning the necessary resources;
- b) submit the action plan to the ICAO Regional Offices, no later than **30 June 2006**, indicating any difficulties encountered;
- c) consider as a maximum two years (**31 December 2007**) for the elimination of “urgent” deficiencies, at which point the “last resort action” will be considered (GREPECAS Decision 12/124); and
- d) make utmost use of the GANDD.

2.4 Few States/Territories have forwarded the action plans to the ICAO Regional Offices in reply to Conclusion 13/92 of the GREPECAS.

3. Actions carried out by the AGA/AOP Subgroup for the elimination/mitigation of the deficiencies between 2005 -2006

3.1 In accordance with the Decisions and Conclusions of the AGA/AOP Subgroup, besides the constant support to ALACPA and CARSAMPAF, the following actions were carried out by the Subgroup in order to reduce/eliminate the deficiencies in the AGA area:

- NAM/CAR/SAM Workshop on Safety Management Systems for Airports, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 4-8 April 2005 (103 participants)
- ICAO/FAA Workshop on Inspector for Airport Certification, 15-19 August 2005 (53 participants)

- ICAO/ALACPA/FAA/ACI-LAC Seminar on Airfield Pavement Design / New FAA Design Software for Airport Pavement Thickness Workshop and Short Course on Annex 14 and Related Documents for the NAM/CAR/SAM (Americas), Bogota, from 11 to 16 September 2005 (196 participants)
- ICAO/ASPA Regional Seminar on Safety Management System, Mexico, from 14 to 16 March 2006 (236 participants)
- Workshop on Emergency Planning and Emergency Operations Centres, Santiago, Chile, from 13 to 17 November 2006.

4. Suggested action

4.1 The Meeting is invited to analyze and comment this working paper and, if necessary, to formulate other actions in order to comply with the conclusions and decisions of the GREPECAS regarding this matter.

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