

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION**FIRST MEETING OF THE APANPIRG CONTRIBUTORY BODIES REVIEW TASK FORCE**

(Bangkok, Thailand, 23 – 24 May 2011)

Agenda Item 4: Review existing structure of APANPIRG**Review APANPIRG Structure and contributory bodies**

(Presented by Secretariat)

SUMMARY

The Task force is invited to review the existing APANPIRG structure and propose revised structure for consideration by APANPIRG/22. APANPIRG/21 noted the possible changing of the present set-up and to explore possibilities of re-allocation of tasks amongst the sub-groups.

The task force is invited to review the Term of Chairperson of sub-groups and suggest proposal for consideration by APANPIRG/22.

Action by the meeting is at Para 3 to this paper.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 APANPIRG/21 noted that the structure of the sub groups has remained largely unchanged since their inception. The current developments in air navigation especially in regard to data provisions, performance based approach and technologies in addition to future ATM systems are changing the shape of air navigation. This is resulting in Sub Groups and Task Force activities overlapping. The meeting also noted that currently aerodrome and security (ensuring continuity and efficiency of ATS) matters are not addressed by any of the Sub Groups. APANPIRG/21 therefore placed high priority on the establishment of the APANPIRG contributory Bodies review Task force with members consisting of Sub-Group Chairpersons, Vice Chairpersons and voluntary members nominated by States and adopted Decision 21/57.

1.2 The objective of the Task Force is to undertake a review of the Terms of Reference and activities of the APANPIRG Contributory Bodies and propose rationalization of their structures to APANPIRG/22 to meet the changing environment, in coordination with ICAO Regional Office.

1.3 APANPIRG/21 took note that establishment of additional contributory bodies should be made on a need basis and any proposal for the establishment of additional work groups or task

forces must be carefully coordinated with the Regional Office taking into account adequacy of the resources available to support such an action.

1.4 APANPIRG/21 noted that any significant change should be programmed to have effect from 2013 meeting year with 2012 being used to implement transitional planning.

1.5 The procedural Handbook in Para 6.2, Part IV states that- *To ensure the necessary continuity in the work and unless otherwise determined by special circumstances, the chairperson and vice chairperson of a sub group should serve for an unspecified period.*

1.6 APANPIRG /21 noted that the Term of the sub group chairperson should be reviewed by the ABSRTF.

2. DISCUSSION

2.4 The existing APANPIRG structure is placed at Attachment 'A' to this paper. APANPIRG is currently supported by three main sub- groups namely- ATM/AIS/SAR, CNS/MET and RASMAG. In accordance with the Procedural Handbook, APANPIRG in its planning and implementation work may create contributory bodies (sub- groups) charged with preparatory work on specifically defined problems requiring expert advice for their resolution. Representation in such sub groups should be by specialists in the subjects concerned and familiar with the area under consideration.

2.5 The sub-group shall be given clear and concise terms of reference describing not only its task but also an expected target date for its completion. The sub-group's work progress and coordination requirements shall be subject to review by APANPIRG to avoid duplication of effort in fields already covered by other activities.

2.6 A contributory Body of APANPIRG shall be dissolved when it has either completed its assigned task or it has become apparent that work on the subject in question cannot be usefully continued.

2.7 Coordination among sub-groups will primarily be ensured by APANPIRG when establishing their terms of reference and work programme or taking action on their Reports.

2.8 In accordance with the Procedural Handbook guidelines the following observations are made- 1) CNS and MET are two different air navigation fields with little coordination and function independently, 2) aerodromes and security matters are not addressed by any of the sub groups and 3) dissolution of certain Task forces/Sub-groups.

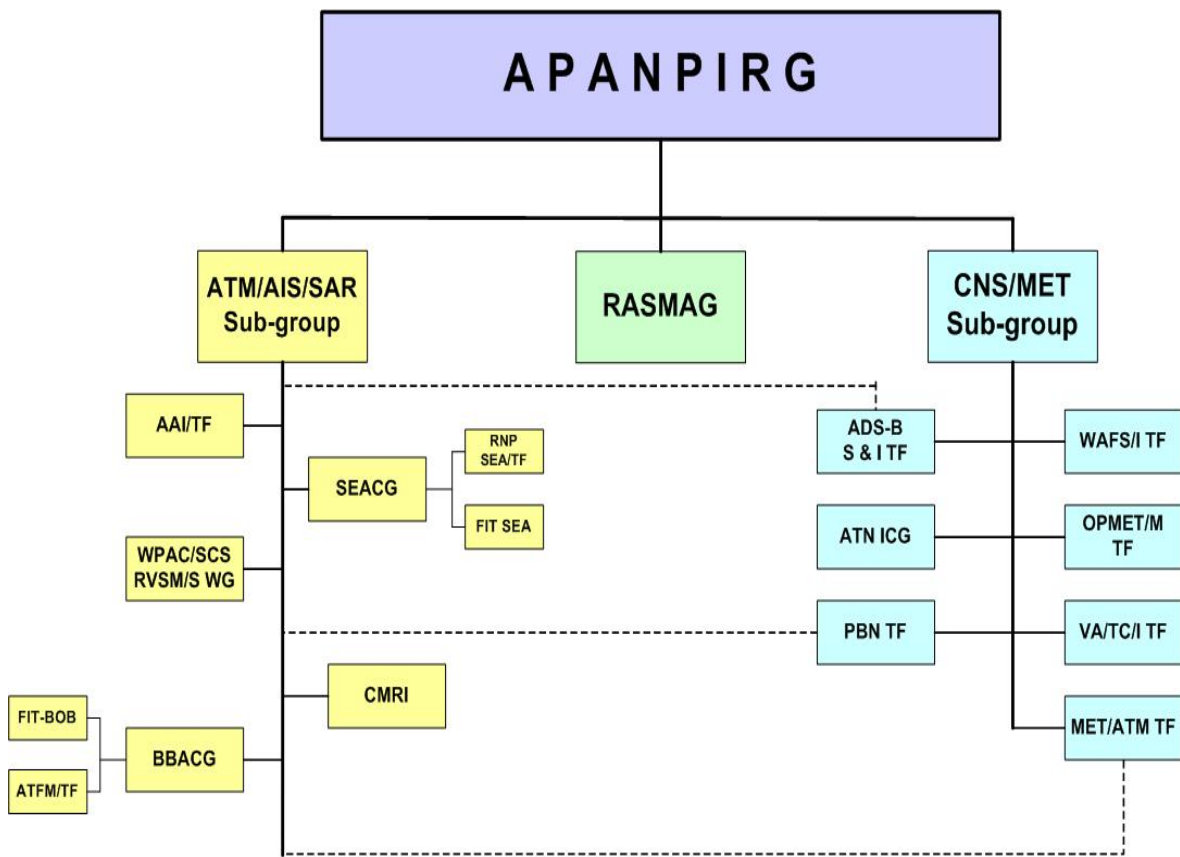
2.9 The proposed draft APANPIRG structure is placed at Attachment B to this paper. The existing and additional sub group like AOP/AVSEC has been included on the basis of discussions taken place during APANPIRG/21 meeting. The proposed structure of the working groups and task forces is placed at Attachment C.

2.10 The term of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall be for a maximum period of six years. If an elected Chairperson is due for retirement or resigns from his organization during this period, the Sub Group may elect a new Chairperson.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

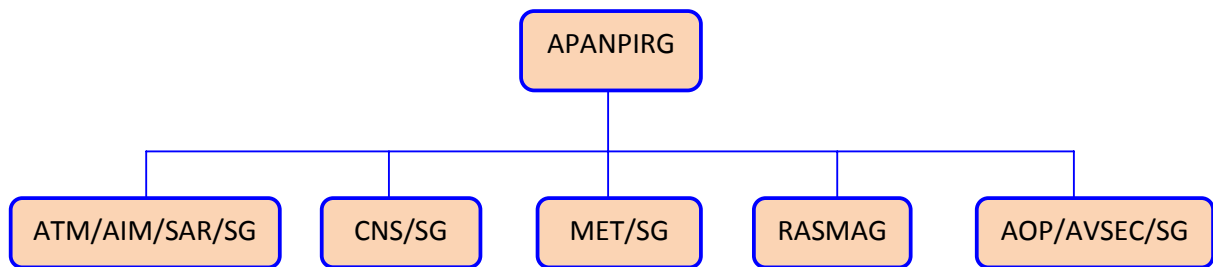
3.4 The meeting is invited to adopt the proposal suggested in Para 2.9 and 2.10 above.

EXISTING APANPIRG STRUCTURE



Attachment B

PROPOSED APANPIRG STRUCTURE- MAIN CONTRIBUTORY BODIES



Proposed Structure of APANPIRG Contributory Bodies- Attachment C

