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Australian Transport Safety Bureau

Voluntary and confidential reporting - ICASS 2014

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Overview

- The importance of voluntary and confidential reporting as part of the aviation safety system
- Voluntary and confidential reporting in the APAC region
- Report of the 2014 International Confidential Aviation Safety Systems (ICASS) Group meeting

ICAO Annex 19 – Safety Management

- State Safety Management Responsibilities
- Safety Management Systems
- Safety Data Collection, Analysis and Exchange



Annex 19 - Chapter 5

- 5.1.2 *Each State shall establish a voluntary incident reporting system to facilitate collection of information on actual or potential safety deficiencies that may not be captured by the mandatory incident reporting system*

- 5.3.1 *A voluntary incident reporting system shall be non-punitive and afford protection to the sources of the information*

Voluntary and confidential reporting

- ‘Confidential’ means that the reporter’s identity is not passed on to other parties, including the regulator

The report is de-identified before being made public or distributed

- ‘Confidential’ does not mean ‘Anonymous’

Being able to contact the reporter enables checking and elaborating on the matter reported

REPCON

- REPCON (Report Confidentially) is Australia's voluntary confidential aviation reporting scheme
- REPCON reports are on the ATSB website http://www.atsb.gov.au/repcon_reports.aspx

Controllers being unable to pass hazard alerts as weather information is not being received from the Dubbo Automatic Weather Information Service (AWIS)

The reporter advised that the AWIS at Dubbo was not transmitting complete information resulting in the controllers not being able to pass information to pilots relating to hazardous weather information.

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The ICAO Asia Pacific region

40 States/Administrations



APAC Confidential Reporting

Seven States/Administrations in the Asia Pacific region have an aviation confidential reporting system

Australia

Macau China

China

Singapore

Japan

Taiwan

Korea

17.5% of States/Admins compared to 7.5% worldwide

International Confidential Aviation Safety Systems Group (ICASS)

ICASS promotes voluntary and confidential reporting systems as an effective method of enhancing flight safety in commercial air transport and general aviation operations



ICASS 2014 meeting

- Hosted by the ATSB in Canberra in November 2014
- Twenty States/Administrations attended, including 15 from the Asia Pacific region



ICASS 2014 meeting presentations

Australia

Brazil

China

EASA

Indonesia

Japan

Korea

Macau China

New Zealand

Singapore

Spain

Taiwan

United Kingdom

Possible APAC regional aviation confidential reporting system?

Possible obstacles,

- Jurisdiction
- Resourcing
- Language

ICASS 2015 meeting

- The 2015 ICASS meeting will be held in Cologne, Germany, from the 19-23 October
- For information, please contact Elaine Hargreaves on elaine.hargreaves@atsb.gov.au

Action by the meeting

- Note ICAO Annex 19 paragraphs 5.1.2 and 5.3.1 that require States to establish a voluntary incident reporting system and to afford protection to the sources of the information reported
- Note the date and venue of the 2015 ICASS Meeting

Thank you

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