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**Agenda Item 3: Review of RASG APAC/4 Decisions and Work Programmes**

**REVIEW RASG APAC/4 DECISIONS**

*(Presented by the Secretariat)*

**SUMMARY**

This Paper presents an update of the Decisions adopted at RASG/4 meeting in November 2014.

Action by the meeting is at Paragraph 3.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 This Paper is to update the Meeting on the progress of the decisions adopted at RASG/4 Meeting in Hong Kong, China in November 2014.

**2. DISCUSSION**

2.1 Twenty three (23) Decisions were adopted at RASG-APAC/4.

2.2 The status of the RASG-APAC/4 decisions is presented in **Attachment A**.

2.3 Secretariat is proposing that except for RASG-APAC/4 decisions 4/15 and 4/16 which are highlighted for easy reference, all the other RASG-APAC/4 decisions considered closed.

- i) RASG-APAC Decision 4/15 requires further discussion to follow-up on development and distribute implementation guidance to harmonize implementation of TCAS II Version 7.1; and
- ii) RASG-APAC Decision 4/16 on organizing a meeting with regulating authorities dealing with lithium batteries is pending HQ expert confirmation of their availability in the week of July 13, 2015. ICAO APAC Office will continue to liaise with HQ on final arrangements.

**3. ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) note the progress on the Decisions adopted at RASG-APAC/4 in November 2014;
  - b) if agreeable, consider the closure recommendation as indicated for each item in Attachment A; and
  - c) continue to support RASG-APAC and APRAST activities.
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**RASG-APAC/4 Decisions Progress Status**

<b>RASG-APAC/4 Decision Ref</b>	<b>RASG-APAC/4 WP Ref. / Subject of WP</b>	<b>RASG-APAC/4 Decision</b>	<b>Status of Progress</b>
Dec 4/1	WP/3 – Review of Progress of RASG-APAC/3 Decisions	That, the Meeting reviewed and concurred with APRAST’s recommendation to close all items in Attachment A to WP/3.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> RASG/4 decision refers.
Dec 4/2	WP/4 – Update of RASG-APAC 2013/2014 Work Programme	That, the recommendations and conclusions as described for each of the item in Attachment A to the WP/4 are approved.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> Incomplete item carried forward to 2014/2015 Work Programme or transferred to Safety tools monitoring mechanism.
Dec 4/3	WP/5 – APRAST Report on the Work of the Asia Pacific Accident Investigation Group	That, the Meeting approved APRAST’s Conclusions 4/1, 4/2, 4/3, 4/4, 4/5 and 5/3 described in the WP/5.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> Two SLs issued on 28 Jan 2015 to address RASG Decision 4/3 arising from APRAST’s Conclusions 4/1, 4/2, 4/3, 4/4, 4/5 and 5/3. [SL T 10/5.4 - AP 016/15 (FS) & T 10/5.5 - AP 017/15 (FS) refer]
Dec 4/4	WP/6 – Report of the Coordination Meeting between the Chairperson of APANPIRG and RASG-APAC	That, the proposed coordination mechanism principles and framework presented in the Attachment to WP/6 are approved.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> Proposed coordination mechanism principles approved at RASG-APAC/4. (RASG-APAC Decision 4/4 refers).
Dec 4/5	WP/23 – Proposed Changes to the APRAST Structure	That, the proposed enhancements to the APRAST Structure are approved	<b>Propose to close item.</b> RASG/4 decision refers.
Dec 4/6		That, the changes be made to the applicable TORs for RASG – APAC (Attachment A), AP-SRP AWG (Attachment B), AP- IAT (Attachment C) and the proposed SEI WG (Attachment D) as presented.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> Formation of SEI WG at APRAST/6.

RASG-APAC/4 Decision Ref	RASG-APAC/4 WP Ref. / Subject of WP	RASG-APAC/4 Decision	Status of Progress
Dec 4/7	WP/28 – AP-SRP Ad-hoc Working Group Report	That, the States/Administration/Industry Partners provide comments by 10 December 2014 on the Draft Annual Safety Report 2014 to SRP WG through the Secretariat.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> Comments from States/Administration/Industry Partners provided.
Dec 4/8		That, the Annual Safety Report be reviewed by APRAST Co-chairs and published by early 2015.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> 2014 APAC Annual Safety Report was posted on RASG-APAC Secure site in Mar 2015 after Co-Chairs review. (Ref email broadcast T 6/13.11.3 – AP-FS0010/15)
Dec 4/9	WP/32 – Safety Enhancement Initiative (SEI) Outputs for RASG Consideration and Approval	That, the model Advisory Circulars for CFIT/3 and CFIT/8 and Runway Safety Maturity Checklist for SEI RS/1 as presented in the WP/32 are approved. CFIT 3 and CFIT 8 approved. RS/1 and SEI RE/7 were endorsed.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> SL issued to notify APAC members of availability of endorsed ACs, best practices, Runway Safety Maturity Checklist and weblinks. [SL Ref T 6/13.11 - AP170/14 (FS) dated 17 Dec 2014 refers]
Dec 4/10	WP/27 – Proposed Detailed Implementation Plans for SEI CFIT/7 and SEI LOC/6	That, the DIPs for SEIs CFIT/7 and LOC/6 are approved and included in the RASG-APAC 2014/2015 Yearly Work Programme.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> Included in 2014/2015 Yearly Work Programme.
Dec 4/11	WP/24 – Inputs on the Global Aviation Safety Plan	That, APAC Member States/Administrations provide comments, if any to the ICAO APAC Office by 10 December 2014 for consolidated feedback by RASG-APAC Chair to the HLSC 2015.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> Comments/feedback on GASP provided to HQ.
Dec 4/12	WP/25 – Proposed Regional Aviation Safety Priorities and Targets	That, the proposed regional aviation safety priorities and targets for the APAC region as described in Annex B to WP/25 are approved.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> Approved regional priorities and targets submitted to HQ.

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Dec 4/13	WP/7 – ACI APEX in Safety Program	That, the Meeting noted and endorsed APRAST Conclusion 5/15 encouraging States/Administrations/Industry to support and participate in the ACI APEX in Safety Programme.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> RASG/4 decision refers.
Dec 4/14	WP/14 - TCAS II Version 7.1 Implementation In APAC Region	That, APRAST monitor the implementation of TCAS II Version 7.1 requirements in the APAC region	<b>Propose to close item.</b> This item is already captured in the web-based Seamless ATM Implementation Progress Reporting Process. [SL T 8/5.1 & T 3/10.8: AP 162/14 (CNS/ATM0 refers)]. A SL reminder Ref T 8/5.1, T3/10.8 & T6/13.1 - AP040/15 (CNS/ATM/FS) dated 9 March 2015 was issued to remind State/Administration to report on their implementation status for TCAS II v7.1 standard. Implementation status to be included in Safety tools monitoring mechanism.
Dec 4/15		That, APRAST develop and distribute implementation guidance to harmonise implementation of TCAS II Version 7.1 requirements in the APAC region.	<b>For discussion at APRAST/6.</b> Related information available at Eurocontrol website <a href="https://www.eurocontrol.int/articles/acas-ii-training">https://www.eurocontrol.int/articles/acas-ii-training</a>
Dec 4/16	WP/16 – Lithium Batteries — The Need for Appropriate Action	That, the Meeting considered and approved ICAO’s proposal to convene a Meeting in the APAC region by June 2015 inviting authorities involved in in aspects of lithium battery manufacture and transport. States were requested to inform ICAO by January 2015 if they were interested in hosting the meeting by mid-2015.	<b>Open.</b> SL invitation for State/Admin who is interested to host the meeting to informed APAC office issued. (SL Ref T 15/10.6 – AP-FS0101/14 dated 16 Dec refers) BKK RO will host the meeting tentatively scheduled for the week of 13 Jul 2015. Pending HQ experts confirmation of availability. RO is in communication with HQ.

RASG-APAC/4 Decision Ref	RASG-APAC/4 WP Ref. / Subject of WP	RASG-APAC/4 Decision	Status of Progress
Dec 4/17	WP/17 – Status of the Air Operator Certificate (AOC) System	<p>That, in order to start realizing the potential safety, efficiency and financial benefits of the AOC system, States are encouraged to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) register for and use the AOC system and nominate administrator focal points;</li> <li>b) enter validated AOCs and other regulatory documentation regarding air operators;</li> <li>c) identify how the administrative processes related to AOCs, especially those of foreign air operators, might be streamlined using the information contained in the system;</li> <li>d) identify to ICAO which improvements should be prioritized for future system developments to facilitate the use and benefits for all States;</li> <li>e) develop processes, preferably automated ones, that will ensure the currency of the data in the system; and</li> <li>f) ensure that the relevant staff and stakeholders are trained on the use of the system.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Propose to close item.</b> SL to encourage State to adopt RASG Decision 4/17 sent. [T 6/19.6 - AP 055/15 (FS) dated 2 Apr 2015 refers]</p>
Dec 4/18	WP/18 – Regional Data Collection, Analysis and Information Sharing	<p>That, RASG-APAC supports the initiative for a demonstration project on a regional safety data collection, analysis and information sharing system for the APAC region.</p>	<p><b>Propose to close item.</b> Demonstration project on regional safety data collection, analysis and information sharing system for the APAC region in-progress. This item has been assigned to SRP WG for further monitoring.</p>

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Dec 4/19		That, States/Administrations, ANSPs, airlines and industry organizations are encouraged to participate in the demonstration project, starting with the Workshop in Singapore from 3 to 4 December 2014.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> Workshop in Singapore held.
Dec 4/20	WP/30 - Voluntary Safety Information Reporting System in State Safety Program for Japan (VOICES)	That, States/Administrations/Industry Partners be encouraged to exchange information on any initiatives they may be undertaking to improve Hazard Identification and Risk Analysis to include: a) Voluntary reporting systems; b) Flight Data Analysis programmes; c) Safety information sharing programs; and d) efforts to establish legal and regulatory framework for protection of safety data and information.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> RASG/4 decision refers.
Dec 4/21	WP/31 - Strategic and Proactive Coordination between the Asia-Pacific Planning and Implementation Regional Group (PIRG) and Regional Aviation Safety Group (RASG)	That, the meeting agreed on : a) the involvement of RASG-APAC, APRAST and APANPIRG, RASMAG in each other's activities; and b) That, APANPIRG consider the establishment of an analysis body that manages ATS Safety incidents/ concerns/occurrences for onward reporting to RASG-APAC APRAST for further action.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> Coordination between APANPIRG and RASG-APAC included in 2014/2015 work programme for follow-ups.

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Dec 4/22	WP/33 - A Proposal for a Mature Safety Management	That, the Meeting urged a) Regional Member States to actively promote positive Safety Culture in their State Safety Programme; and b) Request ICAO to consider the provision of guidance material and training focused on SMS oversight for harmonized implementation among the Member States.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> IOM (Ref T 6/13.11 - AP-FS 102/14 dated 18 Dec 2014 refers) sent requesting HQ to consider the provision of guidance material and training focused on SMS oversight.
Dec 4/23	WP/22 – Proposed RASG-APAC 2014/2015 Work Programme	That, the proposed RASG-APAC 2014/2015 Work Programme is approved at Attachment A of WP/22.	<b>Propose to close item.</b> RASG/4 decision refers.