



International Civil Aviation Organization

**The Third Meeting of the APANPIRG ATM Sub-Group  
(ATM/SG/3)**

Bangkok, Thailand, 03-07 August 2015

**Agenda Item 2: Review of Related High Level Meetings**

**DGCA/51 OUTCOMES**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

**SUMMARY**

This paper presents relevant information from the 51th Conference of Directors General of Civil Aviation Asia and Pacific Regions (DGCA/51 meeting, Hong Kong, China, 24 to 27 November 2014).

**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 The Fifty First Conference of Directors General of Civil Aviation, Asia and Pacific Regions (DGCA/51) was held at Hong Kong, China from 24 to 27 November 2014.

1.2 The Conference was attended by 276 Delegates from 34 States/Administrations, and nine International Organizations.

**2. DISCUSSION**

Action Items

2.1 Relevant Action Items resulting from the DGCA/51 meeting were as follows:

Action Item 51/2	Noting the progress made in the development of a high-level Concept of Operations for the <b>Global Aeronautical Distress and Safety System</b> (GADSS), the Conference a) urged States and Administrations to contribute to the concerted efforts to improve aircraft tracking and search and rescue; b) requested ICAO to continue its work on developing solutions to improve aircraft tracking and search and rescue.
Action Item 51/3	Recognizing that States have the responsibility to ensure the safety of civil aviation operations in their sovereign and delegated airspace, and airspace users have the ultimate responsibility to decide where they are able to operate safely, the Conference: a) urged States to contribute to the concerted efforts to enhance the sharing of information to mitigate the risks associated with <b>operations over or near conflict zones</b> ;

	b) requested ICAO to continue its work to develop solutions to enhance the sharing of information to mitigate the risks associated with operations over or near conflict zones.
Action Item 51/5	Recognizing the significant growth of air traffic, the Conference urged relevant States and Administrations to participate in and support the work of Major Traffic Flow (MTF) Review Group, and support the ICAO RSO's coordinator role in the MTF Review Group.
Action Item 51/6	Noting the benefits of ADS-B data sharing, the Conference urged States and Administrations to share their experiences, best practices and guidance on ADS-B data sharing, and support the ICAO RSO's development, operation and maintenance of the APRD (ADS-B Avionics Problem Report Database).
Action Item 51/9	Recognizing the importance of human factors in ATM, the Conference encouraged States and Administrations to provide and offer training programmes on human factors in ATM.
Action Item 51/11	Recognizing the importance of ATFM to support the growing air traffic in the region, the Conference  a) urged States and Administrations to support the implementation of ATFM in the region and closer collaboration and harmonization to operationalize a regional ATFM solution;  b) urged States to support the ATFM Operational Trial in developing a regional ATFM solution  c) Requested ICAO to review the definition of and framework for A-CDM.
Action Item 51/12	Recognizing the importance of English language proficiency of air traffic controllers, the Conference encouraged States and Administrations to exchange experiences on the implementation of English language proficiency for air traffic controllers towards a regional plan for English language proficiency of air traffic controllers.
Action Item 51/13	Noting the low responsiveness of States to APANPIRG activities, the Conference  a) encouraged States and Administrations to provide the necessary resources and ensure continuity of participation by their experts at APANPIRG meetings and  b) requested APANPIRG to establish a mechanism for planning regional cooperation activities in particular for the implementation of ASBU Block 1 in the region.
Action item 51/14	Following the endorsement of the APAC Seamless ATM Plan at APANPIRG/24, the Conference urged States and Administrations to report the progress of their implementation

	of the Seamless ATM Plan using the available reporting forms.
Action Item 51/16	The Conference urged States and Administrations to develop contingency plans for major disasters, including contributing to the development of contingency plans at the regional level.
Action Item 51/17	The Conference urged States and Administrations to consider participating in trial and demonstration activities such as the Mini Global Demonstration to foster collaboration on information management.
Action Item 51/18	The Conference encouraged States/Administrations to share experiences on regulating Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS).
Action Item 51/19	The Conference requested ICAO to develop guidance materials on the organization of civil aviation authorities with respect to safety oversight, including issues related to inspectors in the various areas and facilitate a high level meeting for the South Asia Region.
Action Item 51/20	Recognizing the importance of collaboration among States/Administrations in pursuing route structure review to achieve Seamless ATM Operations, the Conference requested ICAO RSO to support States/Administrations on these efforts.

### 3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) note the information contained in this paper; and
- b) discuss any relevant matters as appropriate.

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