TERMS OF REFERENCE

SOUTH CHINA SEA TRAFFIC FLOW REVIEW GROUP (SCS TFRG)

1.1 Objective

The objective of the SCS TF/RG is:

- a) to analyze the traffic flows in the overall South China Sea airspace, air routes and the suitability of the FLOS to optimize airspace capacity and enhance flight safety in the long term; and
- b) to report outcomes of the review and recommendations to SEACG.

1.2 Tasks

To meet this objective the Review Group, with reference to the Asia/Pacific Region Seamless ATM Plan and expected traffic growth, shall:

- a) Review the existing TF route structures in the SCS Airspace to establish priorities;
- b) Identify current and planned CNS/ATM capabilities and implementation timelines of States concerned;
- c) Identify reduced horizontal separation based on the current and planned CNS/ATM capabilities, taking into account aircraft approval status of the traffic operating on the relevant routes as well as the new CNS capabilities available;
- d) Review the existing FLAS/FLOS operating within the SCS with a view to enhancing efficiencies;
- e) Establish appropriate timelines/milestones/dependencies for activities planned under this Review Group; and
- f) Make recommendations to SEACG on implementation plans for route structures, airspace, FLOS and separation solutions to meet the expectations of the Asia/Pacific Seamless ATM Plan.