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Subject: Aircraft and Operators Readiness Survey

Action required: Reply by 30 April 2004

Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to draw your attention to APIRG/14 meeting held in Yaounde, Cameroon, from 23 to 27 June 2003. APIRG/14 Conclusion 14/21 *inter alia* advocated as follows:

Conclusion 14/21: Implementation of RVSM in the AFI Region:

That:

States do their utmost to implement RVSM in selected airspaces, as per plan by AIRAC cycle date of 20 January 2005 concurrently with the CAR/SAM Region.

You may be aware that, non-RVSM aircraft will not necessarily be authorized to enter RVSM airspace and this will result in economic penalties for operators concerned. Furthermore, if a significant proportion of aircraft is not RVSM approved at the above mentioned date, concentration of flight s at FL 290 and below will increase and this could lead to traffic delays. It is therefore essential that ICAO identifies all AFI operators/aircraft approved for RVSM operations and to distribute this database to all States.

In order to meet the target date of **20 January 2005**, you are urged to take appropriate action to provide ICAO RVSM Program Office (ARPO), as soon as possible but not later than **30 April 2004**, a list of operators/aircraft that are already approved for RVSM operators. Attached please find guidance material to assist you in compiling this list.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.


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Regional Director

Attachment: