

**INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION****Fourth Meeting of the APIRG Airspace and Aerodrome Operations Sub-Group  
(AAO SG/4), Virtual Meeting, 16 to 18 August 2021****Agenda Item 3 Planning and Implementation****Agenda Item 3.1: Airspace (Safety, Capacity and Efficiency) projects.****CIVIL/MILITARY COOPERATION IMPLEMENTATION**

*(Presented by the Secretariat)*

**SUMMARY**

This working paper highlights the recommendations for the AFI Civil/Military Cooperation workshop held in April 2021.

**Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3**

**REFERENCE(S):**

- ICAO Doc 10088 – Manual of civil-Military Cooperation in ATM
- APIRG 23 Report
- Summary of Discussion – AFI Civil/Military Cooperation Workshop

**Related ICAO Strategic Objective(s):**

- A – Aviation Safety
- B - Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency
- C – Security and Facilitation
- D – Economic Development
- E – Environment Protection

**1. INTRODUCTION**

The cooperation between the Civilian and Military agencies is an integral component in fostering civil aviation growth; this cooperation is an enabler in all the five ICAO strategic objectives.

The APIRG/23 meeting noted the importance of fostering improved efficiency in airspace management through civil/military coordination, and formulated the following conclusion:

***APIRG/23 Conclusion 23/08: Improved civil/military coordination:***

That, in order to improve civil/military coordination:

- a) ICAO conduct a Civil/Military cooperation workshop by 30 April 2021; and
- b) States establish Civil/Military Cooperation Committees, develop Civil/Military Manual and Standard Operating Procedures and a Memoranda of Cooperation (MOC) by 30 June 2021.

## **2. DISCUSSION**

2.1. In line with the APIRG 23 Conclusion 23/08, ICAO organised a workshop on the effective implementation of Civil/Military Cooperation and Coordination in Air Traffic Management (ATM). The workshop objective was to provide awareness to the AFI States on the provisions of the ICAO Manual on Civil-Military and Cooperation in ATM.

2.2. The workshop that was attended by 487 participants from ANSPs, CAAs, Military Agencies, MET organizations, Air Operators and international organizations, was held virtually on 27-29 April 2021 and provided for recommendations to foster improved implementation in the region. States are required to provide feedback on the status of implementation at national level by 26 August 2021.

2.3. The workshop objectives were considered inclusive of but not limited to:

- i. Assist participants in understanding the new requirements as stipulated in the ICAO Manual on Civil/Military Cooperation in ATM
- ii. State understanding and effectively implementing civil/military cooperation system;
- iii. Assist states to complete the development of their civil/military cooperation plans without further delay;
- iv. Assist states to complete the development of their civil/military cooperation manual;
- v. Assist states in updating their letters of agreements/ MOUs in respect of recent developments to ensure their completeness and operability

2.4 The outcome of the meeting is in the form of the meeting follow-up action plan, they included;

- i. Each State to conduct awareness on Civil/Military cooperation.
- ii. Each State to establish Civil/Military cooperation committees, develop and implement an effective Civil/Military Cooperation between April and 26 August 2021 and report to ICAO on the state action plan.
- iii. ICAO to facilitate a forum for the states to provide the state action plans.
- iv. ICAO to support States (on request) in the implementation of specific Civil/Military activities and programmes. The status of implementation of the plan is as per Appendix 1 to this WP.

## **3. ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) Take note of the information in the WP and the status of implementation of the AFI Civil-Military Cooperation and Coordination system;
- b) Urge states to provide feedback on the implementation status at State level by 26 August 2021.

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