

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

First Meeting of the AFI Volcanic Ash Steering Group (AFI VOLCEX/SG1)

(Virtual, 5 July 2022)

Agenda Item 1 - Election of the Chairperson and Adoption of the Agenda

WP-1.2 Election of the Chairperson

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY
<p>The Paper presents the item related to the election of the Chairperson to conduct the business of the AFI VOLCEX Steering-Group</p> <p>Action by the meeting in paragraph 3</p>
<p>REFERENCE(S):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AFI VOLCEX 21/01 Report • Doc 9766 Handbook on the IAVW • ToR of AFI VOLCEX SG
<p>Related ICAO Strategic Objective(s):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A – Safety, B – Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. Volcanic ash exercises should be conducted by ICAO on a regional basis to practice and develop inter-agency response to volcanic activity, in order to maintain safety, regularity and efficiency of aviation in the event of a volcanic eruption.
- 1.2. In accordance with the guidance provided in ICAO Doc 9766, a volcanic ash exercises steering group may be established by a PIRG to coordinate all aspects of the organization and conduct of the exercises. The steering group should have representatives from, as a minimum, the volcanic ash advisory centres (VAACs) concerned, air navigation service providers (ANSPs), airspace users and regulators.
- 1.3. This paper is related to election of the Chairperson to conduct the business of the AFI VOLCEX/SG

2. DISCUSSIONS

- 2.1. The Decision 24/02 of the Twenty-fourth Meeting of APIRG held virtually from 1-8 November 2021 established the AFI Volcanic Ash Exercise Steering Group (AFI VOLCEX/SG) to play the role of coordinating the volcanic ash exercise activities in the Region in accordance with the provisions of the Steering Group.
- 2.1. The VOLCEX/SG is led by a Chairperson/Rapporteur elected from the representatives of States to coordinate the activities of Group.

2.2. The AFI VOLCEX/SG1 Meeting is therefore requested to elect a chair to conduct the business of the Steering Group.

3. ACTIONS BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) Take note of the information provided in this paper;
- b) Elect the Chairperson of the SG.

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