



DIRECTORS GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION-MIDDLE EAST REGION

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Agenda Item 5: Air Navigation

OUTCOME AND FOLLOW-UP OF THE MIDANPIRG/13 MEETING

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This working paper presents the outcome of the MIDANPIRG/13 by the Air Navigation Commission and the Secretariat.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Thirteenth Meeting of the Middle East Air Navigation Planning and Implementation Regional Group (MIDANPIRG/13) was hosted by the General Civil Aviation Authority (GCAA) of the United Arab Emirates at the Park Rotana Hotel – Abu Dhabi, from 22 to 26 April 2012.

1.2 The meeting was attended by a total of one hundred and two (102) participants, which included experts from ten (10) States (Bahrain, Egypt, Iran, Jordan, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, UAE and Yemen) and six (6) International Organizations/Agencies (ACAC, CANSO, IATA, IFALPA, Jeppesen and MIDRMA).

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 MIDANPIRG/13 developed 58 Conclusions and 13 Decisions.

2.2 An Executive Summary of the MIDANPIRG/13 outcome is at **Appendix A** to this working paper.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to note the outcome of the MIDANPIRG/13 meeting and urge States to take necessary follow-up actions on the related Conclusions.

APPENDIX A

**OUTCOME OF THE THIRTEENTH MEETING OF THE MIDDLE EAST AIR
NAVIGATION PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION REGIONAL GROUP
(MIDANPIRG/13)**

(Abu Dhabi, UAE, from 22 to 26 April 2012)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Attended by 102 participants from 10 States and 6 international organizations/agencies
2. Supported the Middle East Regional airspace Review (MIDRAR) project lead by CANSO and invited States to assign MIDRAR Focal Points and provide necessary information.
3. States were urged to implement 20 NM radar longitudinal spacing and were encouraged to further reduce radar longitudinal spacing to 10 NM, where appropriate.
4. The MID Region SSR Code Management Plan (CMP) was adopted and the SSRCA Study Group dissolved.
5. Urged Iraq to implement the actions related to the normalization of the Baghdad FIR before 15 October 2012 and agreed that in case of low progress of implementation of the necessary actions, RVSM operations be suspended in the Baghdad FIR.
6. Encouraged States to use the internet for the dissemination of the monthly printed plain-language list of valid NOTAM and discontinue its dissemination in hardcopy by post.
7. States were invited to avoid the use of the AIRAC date of 15 November 2012 as an effective date for the introduction of significant changes to the aeronautical information publications concurrently with the INFPL effective date.
8. Requested ICAO to consider the inclusion of a requirement for the certification of AIM Services in Annex 15.
9. States, Users and all concerned stakeholders were invited to provide support for the achievement of the MID Region AIS Database (MIDAD) Project.
10. Agreed on 2 options to be considered by the DGCA-MID/2 meeting related to the MIDAD Legal Framework.
11. States were urged to develop national plans for migration to IPv6.
12. States were urged to support ICAO for the early development and dissemination of the draft ICAO position for WRC-2015.
13. States were encouraged to use the MID-AMC on trial basis for 1 year.
14. The MID Region Performance Targets associated with the performance Metrics were adopted.

15. States were urged to develop national performance framework and collect, process and submit relevant data to support the MID Regional metrics.
16. The AIM Parts of the MID Basic ANP and FASID were endorsed and an Ad-hoc ANP Working Group was established to complete the review of the remaining parts of the MID Basic ANP and FASID.
17. States were urged to submit their action plan for CO₂ emission to ICAO before 30 June 2012.
18. States were urged to use IFSET or a more advanced model to estimate environment benefits accrued from operational improvements and continue to consider environmental issues in the planning and implementation of regional air navigation systems.
19. States were encouraged to carry out the INFPL testing in accordance with the agreed schedule.
20. The MID Region INFPL Implementation Document was adopted.
21. States were urged to provide replies to the GNSS questionnaire before 1 September 2012.
22. A MID PBN Support Team (MPST) was established.
23. The Regional Volcanic Ash Contingency Plan for the MID Region to be developed and presented to MIDANPIRG/14 for endorsement.
24. States were invited to participate in the SIGMET tests conducted by the EUR Region.
25. States were urged to provide necessary data for traffic forecasting activities in the MID Region.
26. States and international organizations were invited to test the centralized air navigation deficiency database on iSTARS platform and provide feedback to the ICAO MID Regional Office by 31 August 2012.
27. States were urged to develop Next Generation of Aviation Professionals (NGAP) national plans.
28. States to review their respective lists of identified deficiencies and forward the associated Corrective Action Plans to the MID Regional Office before 15 June 2012.
29. States were urged to provide necessary data to the MIDRMA on a regular basis and in a timely manner.
30. States were urged to ensure that before 30 June 2012, their aircraft operators fully comply with Annex 6 provisions related to long term height monitoring requirements, based on the MIDRMA MMR Tables.