DIRECTORS GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION-MIDDLE EAST REGION

Second Meeting (DGCA-MID/2)
(Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, 20-22 May 2013)

Agenda Item 6: Aviation Safety

REPORTING DANGEROUS GOODS OCCURRENCE

(Presented by United Arab Emirates)

SUMMARY

This working paper presents the implementation of an online system for Reporting Of Dangerous Goods Occurrence (RODGO) within the UAE in order to support ICAO in its proposal to establish ICAO Dangerous Goods Incident Database.

Action by the DGCA-MID is in paragraph 2.

1.   **INTRODUCTION**

1.1   As per 4.4, CHAPTER 4 of the ICAO Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air;

> "An operator must report dangerous goods accidents and incidents to the appropriate authorities of the State of the Operator and the State in which the accident or incident occurred in accordance with the reporting requirements of those appropriate authorities."

1.2   On 2012, the UAE GCAA established online system for Reporting of Dangerous Goods Occurrence (RODGO), in order to:

    a. Meet the UAE Government Objectives to automate the services for industry, in order to establish a standardised method for data collection and analysis to improve Safety & Security.

    b. Ensure regulatory compliance/ meet the international reporting standard, and encourage reporting between Civil Aviation Authorities - Worldwide

    c. Ensure Standardization for reporting forms, and Better Informed decisions.

    d. Improve the quality of Authority's services to Customers/Partners.

    e. Improve the quality of business operations.

f. Better handling of application request and end to end traceability through Automated Business Processing.

1.3   In the ICAO DGP-WG/12, Montreal, 15-19 October 2012, the Secretary presented WP/24 highlighting how ICAO is placing considerable importance on data collection and analysis, based on which the Air Navigation Commission (ANC) asked the Secretariat to consider developing a dangerous goods incident reporting system with standardised methods and procedures for gathering and coordinating data. Some DGP Members have already designs of incident data collection systems used within their States which can be used as a basis for designing the proposed ICAO DG Incident Database.

1.4   Being a Dangerous Goods Panel Member State who participated in the ICAO DGP-WG/12, Montreal, 15-19 October 2012, the UAE delegation suggested that interfacing between the ICAO Dangerous Goods Incident Database and ICAO Member States online reporting system, could be positively a way forward in supporting ICAO system, where interfacing shall also reduce the work load on both parties and improve data collection efficiency.

2.   ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1   The meeting is invited to:

a) encourage States to establish an in-house Online RODGO and to support the ICAO Dangerous Goods Incident Database; and

b) note the UAE willingness to share its experience in this regard.

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