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Agenda Item 4: CNS Planning and Implementation in the MID Region

MID AIR NAVIGATION PLAN AND STRATEGY

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents the MID Air Navigation Plan Vol III and MID Air Navigation Strategy to be reviewed and updated by the meeting.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

REFERENCES

- MID eANP
- MID Air Navigation Strategy
- MSG/6 Report

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The MSG/6 meeting endorsed the Second Edition of the MID Air Navigation Report (2017) and the amendments to the MID eANP Volume III.

2. DISCUSSION

Update to the MID eANP Volume III

2.1 The meeting may wish to recall that the MSG/6 meeting, through MSG Conclusion 6/2, agreed to the changes to the MID eANP Vol III, proposed by the AIM SG/4, ATM SG/4, CNS SG/8 and MET SG/7 meetings (Tables B0-ACDM, B0-DATM, B0-FICE, B0-FRTO, B0-NOPS, B0-ACAS, B0-SNET and B0-AMET). Consolidated version of the MID eANP Volume III is available on the ICAO MID website at: www.icao.int/mid

2.2 An extraction of the CNS related modules in the MID eANP Volume III is at Appendix A, for review and update by the meeting.

Second Edition of the MID Air Navigation Report (2017)

2.3 The meeting may wish to note that the MSG/6 meeting reviewed and, through MSG Conclusion 6/3, endorsed the Second Edition of the MID Region Air Navigation Report (2017). The MID Region Air Navigation Report (2017) is available on the ICAO MID website at: www.icao.int/mid.

MID Region Air Navigation Strategy

2.4 The meeting may wish to note that MSG/6 reviewed the MID Region Air Navigation Strategy (MID Doc 002) and agreed to the following changes:

- deletion of the elements "National AIM implementation plan/roadmap", eTOD and Digital NOTAM from the list of Elements of B0-DATM in the MID Air Navigation Strategy; and inclusion of a new element related to the agreements with data originators;
- update of the parts related to B0-FRTO, B0-NOPS, B0-FICE and B0-SNET;
- deletion of the element "PBN plans" from B0-APTA; and
- addition of a new element related to OPMET to B0-AMET.

2.5 The meeting may wish to note that Bahrain, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Qatar, Sudan and UAE made a good progress in the implementation of the priority 1 ASBU Block 0 Modules. From a regional perspective, the progress for the implementation of B0-SNET, B0-AMET and B0-ACAS is very good. However, the progress for the implementation of B0-ACDM, B0-CDO and B0-CCO is far below expectation.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

a) review and update the CNS related modules in the MID eANP Volume III at **Appendix A**; and

b) review and update, as necessary, the CNS related parts in the MID Air Navigation Strategy elements and target at **Appendix B.**

APPENDIX A

B0 – FICE: Increased Interoperability, Efficiency and Capacity through Ground-Ground Integration

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** Note – the required AIDC/OLDI connection is detailed in the MID eANP Volume II Part III*

TABLE B0-FICE 3-1

EXPLANATION OF THE TABLE

Column

1 Name of the State

2,3,4 Status of AMHS Capability and Interconnection and AIDC/OLDI Capability, where:
Y – Fully Implemented
N – Not Implemented

5 Number of required AIDC/OLDI Interconnections

6 Number of implemented AIDC/OLDI Interconnection.

7 Remarks

State	AMHS Capability	AMHS Interconnection	AIDC/OLDI Capability	Required AIDC/OLDI Interconnections	AIDC/OLDI Implementation	Remarks
1	*2*	*3*	*4*	*5**	*6*	*7*
Bahrain	Y	Y	Y	5	1	connection with ABU Dhabi
Egypt	Y	Y	Y	4	1	
Iran	N	N	Y	4	0	Contract signed for AMHS
Iraq	N	N	N	2	0	Thales Topsky ATM system
Jordan	Y	Y	Y	2	0	
Kuwait	Y	Y	Y	2	0	
Lebanon	Y	Y	Y	1	0	
Libya	Y	N	Y	0	0	0Contract signed for AMHS
Oman	Y	Y	Y	4	1	
Qatar	Y	Y	Y	2	1	local implementation for OLDI
Saudi Arabia	Y	Y	Y	7	2	local implementation for AIDC
Sudan	Y	Y	Y	4	0	
Syria	N	N	N	0	0	
UAE	Y	Y	Y	4	3	
Yemen	N	N	N	0	0	Contract signed for AMHS
Total Percentage / Number	**73%**	**67%**	**80%**	**41**	**9 (22%)**	

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Main performance impact:

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N/A	N/A	Y	N/A	Y

Applicability consideration:

Safety and operational benefits increase with the proportion of equipped aircraft.

B0 – ACAS: ACAS Improvements				
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Table B0-ACAS 3-1

EXPLANATION OF THE TABLE

Column

1 Name of the State

2 Status of implementation:

Y – Fully Implemented

N – Not Implemented

3 National Regulation(s) Reference(s)

4 Remarks

State	Status	Regulation Reference	Effective Date	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5
Bahrain	Y	Aeronautical Circular AC/OPS/05/2015 dated 10th of March 2015		Air Navigation Technical Regulations (ANTR) updated to reflect Annex 10 (Volume IV) Reference needs to be provided http://www.mtt.gov.bh/content/caa-laws-and-regulations
Egypt	Y	ECAR Part 121.356 & ECAR Part 91.221		Egyptian Civil Aviation Regulation (ECAR) Parts 121 and 91 have been updated in accordance with the relevant provisions of ICAO Annex 10, Volume IV, Ch.4 http://www.civilaviation.gov.eg/Regulations/regulation.html
Iran	Y	Aeronautical Telecommunications bylaw, articles 3 and 4		According to articles 3 and 4 of Iran aeronautical telecommunications by law, ratified by board of ministers, Airborne collision avoidance systems are categorized as aeronautical telecommunications systems and should be manufactured, installed and maintained according to standards of Annex 10. -Since no difference to ICAO annex 10 is notified, ACAS V 7.1 is mandatory according to provisions of annex 10 amendment 85. -Airworthiness directives issued by FAA and EASA shall to be implemented by Iranian AOC holders.
Iraq	N			

State	Status	Regulation Reference	Effective Date	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5
Jordan	Y	JCAR-OPS.1 (1.668 airborne collision avoidance system)		
Kuwait	Y	Kuwait Civil Aviation Safety Regulations – Part 6 – Operation of Aircraft, Para. 6.20.4		
Lebanon	Y			Regulation reference needs to be provided
Libya	N			
Oman	Y			Regulation reference needs to be provided
Qatar	Y	QCAR – OPS 1, Subpart K, QCAR – OPS 1.668 – Airborne collision avoidance system QCAR Part 10 - Volume4 Chapter 4 Airborne Collision Avoidance System		References: http://www.caa.gov.qa/en/safety_regulations
Saudi Arabia	Y	GACAR PART 91 – Appendix C		
Sudan	Y	Amended Annex 10 (V4)- ANNESX 6 (V2)		According to adopted annexes to Sudan Regulations (SUCAR 10 V4 Par. 4.3.5.3.1 and SUCAR 6 V2 par 2.05.15)
Syria	N			
UAE	Y	CAR-OPS 1.668 Airborne Collision Avoidance System (See IEM OPS 1.668) and CAAP 29 and AIP 1.5.6.6		https://www.gcaa.gov.ae/en/ePublication/Pages/CARs.aspx?CertD=CARs
Yemen	Y			Reference need to be provided

APPENDIX B

MID DOC 002

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

MIDDLE EAST AIR NAVIGATION PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION REGIONAL GROUP (MIDANPIRG)

MID REGION

AIR NAVIGATION STRATEGY

EDITION DECEMBER, 2018

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1. Introduction

1.1 As traffic volume increases throughout the world, the demands on air navigation service providers in a given airspace increase, and air traffic management becomes more complex.

1.2 It is foreseen that the implementation of the components of the ATM operational concept will provide sufficient capacity to meet the growing demand, generating additional benefits in terms of more efficient flights and higher levels of safety. Nevertheless, the potential of new technologies to significantly reduce the cost of services will require the establishment of clear operational requirements.

1.3 Taking into account the benefits of the ATM operational concept, it is necessary to make many timely decisions for its implementation. An unprecedented cooperation and harmonization will be required at both global and regional level.

1.4 ICAO introduced the Aviation System Block Upgrades (ASBU) framework as a systemic manner to achieve a harmonized implementation of the air navigation services. An ASBU designates a set of improvements that can be implemented globally from a defined point in time to enhance the performance of the ATM system.

1.5 Through Recommendation 6/1 - *Regional performance framework – planning methodologies and tools*, AN-Conf/12 urged States and PIRGs to harmonize the regional and national air navigation plans with the ASBU methodology in response to this, the MID region developed the MID Region Air Navigation Strategy, which is aligned with the GANP and ASBU Framework.

1.6 Stakeholders including service providers, regulators, airspace users and manufacturers are facing increased levels of interaction as new, modernized ATM operations are implemented. The highly integrated nature of capabilities covered by the block upgrades requires a significant level of coordination and cooperation among all stakeholders. Working together is essential for achieving global harmonization and interoperability.

2. Strategic Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency Objective

2.1 To realize sound and economically-viable civil aviation system in the MID Region that continuously increases in capacity and improves in efficiency with enhanced safety while minimizing the adverse environmental effects of civil aviation activities.

3. MID Air Navigation Objectives

3.1 The MID Region air navigation objectives are set in line with the global air navigation objectives and address specific air navigation operational improvements identified within the framework of the Middle East Regional Planning and Implementation Group (MIDANPIRG).

3.2 Block ‘0’ features Modules are characterized by operational improvements, which have already been developed and implemented in many parts of the world. The MID Region priority 1 Block 0 Modules are reflected in **Table 1** below.

3.3 The MID Region Air Navigation Strategy aims to maintain regional harmonisation. The States should develop their National ASBU Implementation Plan, including action plans for the implementation of relevant priority 1 ASBU Modules and other Modules according to the States’ operational requirements.

3.4 The implementation of the ASBU Block 0 Modules in the MID Region started in 2013 and is continuing.

3.5 Blocks 1 features Modules are characterized by both existing and projected performance area

solutions, with availability milestones beginning in 2019.

3.6 The Block Upgrades incorporate a long-term perspective matching that of the Regional Air Navigation Plan (eANP). They coordinate clear aircraft- and ground-based operational objectives together with the avionics, data link and ATM system requirements needed to achieve them. The overall strategy serves to provide industry wide transparency and essential investment certainty for operators, equipment manufacturers and ANSPs.

3.7 The implementation of Block 2 and Block 3 Modules is planned for 2025 and beyond.

4. MID Region ASBU Block 0 Modules Prioritization and Monitoring

4.1 On the basis of operational requirements and taking into consideration the associated benefits, **Table 1** below shows the priority for implementation of the 18 Block "0" Modules**,** as well as the MIDANPIRG subsidiary bodies that will be monitoring and supporting the implementation of the Modules:

Table 1. MID REGION ASBU BLOCK 0 MODULES PRIORITIZATION AND MONITORING

Module Code	Module Title	Priority	Start Date	Monitoring		Remarks
				Main	Supporting	
Performance Improvement Areas (PIA) 1: **Airport Operations**						
B0-APTA	Optimization of Approach Procedures including vertical guidance	1	2014	PBN SG	ATM SG, AIM SG, CNS SG	
B0-WAKE	Increased Runway Throughput through Optimized Wake Turbulence Separation	2				
B0-RSEQ	Improve Traffic flow through Runway Sequencing (AMAN/DMAN)	2				
B0-SURF	Safety and Efficiency of Surface Operations (A-SMGCS Level 1-2)	1	2014	ANSIG	CNS SG	Coordination with RGS WG
B0-ACDM	Improved Airport Operations through Airport-CDM	1	2014	ANSIG	CNS SG, AIM SG, ATM SG	Coordination with RGS WG
Performance Improvement Areas (PIA) 2 Globally Interoperable Systems and Data Through Globally Interoperable System Wide Information Management						
B0-FICE	Increased Interoperability, Efficiency and Capacity through Ground-Ground Integration	1	2014	CNS SG	AIM SG, ATM SG	
B0-DATM	Service Improvement through Digital Aeronautical Information Management	1	2014	AIM SG		
B0-AMET	Meteorological information supporting enhanced operational efficiency and safety	1	2014	MET SG		

Performance Improvement Areas (PIA) 3 Optimum Capacity and Flexible Flights – Through Global Collaborative ATM						
B0-FRTO	Improved Operations through Enhanced En-Route Trajectories	1	2014	ATM SG		
B0-NOPS	Improved Flow Performance through Planning based on a Network-Wide view	1	2015			
B0-ASUR	Initial capability for ground surveillance	2				
B0-ASEP	Air Traffic Situational Awareness (ATSA)	2				
B0-OPFL	Improved access to optimum flight levels through climb/descent procedures using ADS-B	2				
B0-ACAS	ACAS Improvements	1	2014	CNS SG		
B0-SNET	Increased Effectiveness of Ground-Based Safety Nets	1	2017	ATM SG		
Performance Improvement Areas (PIA) 4 Efficient Flight Path – Through Trajectory-based Operations						
B0-CDO	Improved Flexibility and Efficiency in Descent Profiles (CDO)	1	2014	PBN SG		
B0-TBO	Improved Safety and Efficiency through the initial application of Data Link En-Route	2		ATM SG	CNS SG	
B0-CCO	Improved Flexibility and Efficiency Departure Profiles - Continuous Climb Operations (CCO)	1	2014	PBN SG		

Priority 1: Modules that have the highest contribution to the improvement of air navigation safety and/or efficiency in the MID Region. These modules should be implemented where applicable and will be used for the purpose of regional air navigation monitoring and reporting for the period 2015-2018.

Priority 2: Modules recommended for implementation based on identified operational needs and benefits.

5. Measuring and Monitoring Air Navigation Performance

5.1 The monitoring of air navigation performance and its enhancement is achieved through identification of relevant air navigation Metrics and Indicators as well as the adoption and attainment of air navigation system Targets. The monitoring of the priority 1 ASBU modules is carried out through the MID eANP Volume III.

5.2 MIDANPIRG through its activities under the various subsidary bodies will continue to update and monitor the implementation of the ASBU Modules to achieve the air navigation targets.

5.3 The priority 1 Modules along with the associated elements, applicability, performance Indicators, supporting Metrics, and performance Targets are shown in the **Table 2** below.

***Note**: The different elements supporting the implementation are explained in detail in the ASBU Document which is attached to the Global Plan (Doc 9750).*

6. Governance

6.1 Progress report on the status of implementation of the different priority 1 Modules and other Modules, as appropriate, should be developed by the Air Navigation System Implemenation Group (ANSIG) and presented to the MIDANPIRG Steering Group (MSG) and/or MIDANPIRG on regular basis.

6.2 The MIDANPIRG and its Steering Group (MSG) will be the governing body responsible for the review and update of the MID Region Air Navigation Strategy.

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