

MIDANPIRG AFS/ATN TF/7
Report on Agenda Item 6

REPORT ON AGENDA ITEM 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Under this Agenda Item the meeting was informed about the Conclusions relating to the utilization of ICAO position by States during ITU Conferences and participation of Civil Aviation experts in national delegation.

6.2 since the bands occupied by aviation, are highly attractive to commercial users, the civil aviation community should remain vigilant in defending frequency bands allocated for aeronautical use.

6.3 For this purpose and in view of preparation of the WRC 2003, the AMCP proposed Conferences.

6.4 Emphasis was given to the involvement of Regional Offices in the development of ICAO position in view to incorporate specific regional requirements and to support ICAO position in the regional telecommunication organizations.

6.5 In this framework, the ICAO MID Office participated to the Preparatory Meeting of the Arab Region for the World Telecommunication Development, in Alexandria, 17-19 October 2000.

6.6 The meeting noted that the MIDANPIRG/6 Meeting agreed on Decision 6/3 tasking the COM/MET SG to follow up the development in ICAO position with regard to the future WRC Conferences and its preparatory meetings, and to highlight that position to the MID States.

6.7 The meeting was then informed by the Secretariat of the dates of future meetings of interest in the MID Region. It noted that the COM/MET SG/4 meeting was postponed to 23-26 September (*tentative date*) and GNSS TF/3 meeting 16-18 July (*tentative date*). The meeting did not propose a fixed date for the next AFS/ATN TF meeting, but indicated that it should be scheduled after the EANPG AFSG/5 meeting.

6.8 The meeting also agreed that the AFS/ATN TF should continue its work, concentrating on the future developments of the Aeronautical Communication Fixed Services.

6.9 The meeting noted that three member States: Iran, Jordan and Lebanon did not send their experts to attend the present meeting and asked the ICAO Middle East Office to remind these States of the importance of their participation to the work of the meeting.

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