### NAM/CAR/SAM SAR Workshop

Harmonization of Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue 2015Dave Edwards, **U.S. Coast Guard Chairman, International Civil Aviation Organization/International Maritime Organization Joint Working Group on SAR** 

### Aeronautical and Maritime cooperation and coordination are essential



Global SAR System – a quick review

Established under:

International Convention on Maritime SAR
Convention on International Civil Aviation
Other conventions or international law

Each country has a responsibility to meet its obligation as part of the global community
Develop SAR services individually as a State OR in co-operation with other States

# **International SAR Organization**

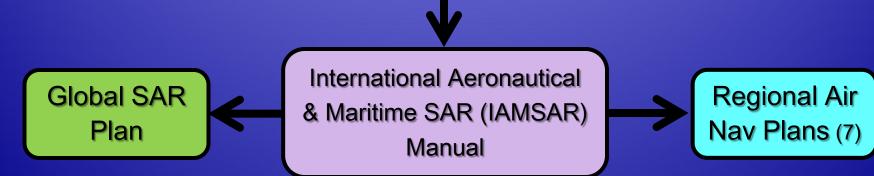
International Maritime Organization

International Convention on Maritime Search and Rescue (1979) International Civil Aviation Organization

Convention on International Civil Aviation (1944)







Three Questions to consider:

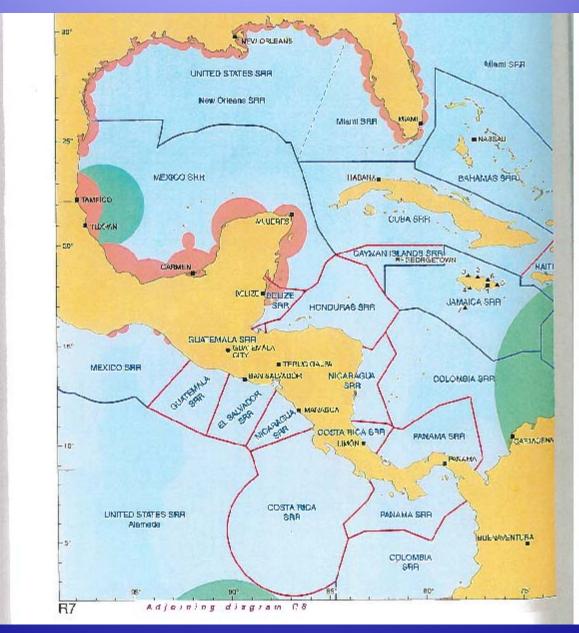
1. What defines the type of SAR incident:

Aeronautical, is it the:
craft in distress – the aircraft?
type of response craft? (air, sea or land)
location of distress? (land or water)
Maritime: in the water

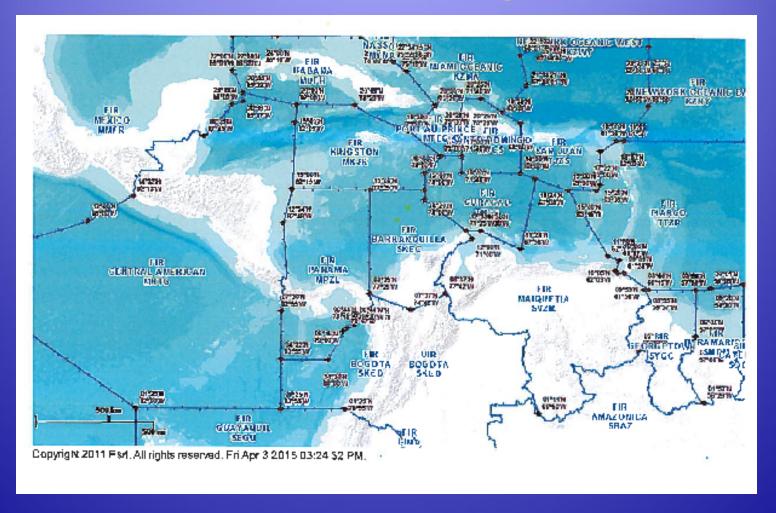
2. Who is your national SAR authority?

3. Who serves as your SAR Mission Coordinator?

#### Maritime Search and Rescue Region (SRR)



#### Aeronautical Flight Information Region (FIR) as Search and Rescue Region (SRR)



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How do You ensure ...

- Rapid notification of the distress alert to SAR authorities
- Timely reaction by your SAR authorities
- Ability for other SAR responders to rapidly go to the scene of distress to assist
- Proper search planning
- Timely rescue (search craft may not be able to rescue)

How is the cooperation and coordination between your:

- Aeronautical and Maritime SAR services? (or Land or Local authorities)
- Civil and Military authorities?
  - Most States rely upon the military to do SAR
  - Who has the search planning experts
  - Who has the rescue craft
  - Lessons from Air France 447, questions from Malaysia Flight 370, and other incidents

## **Two SAR Systems – One Country**

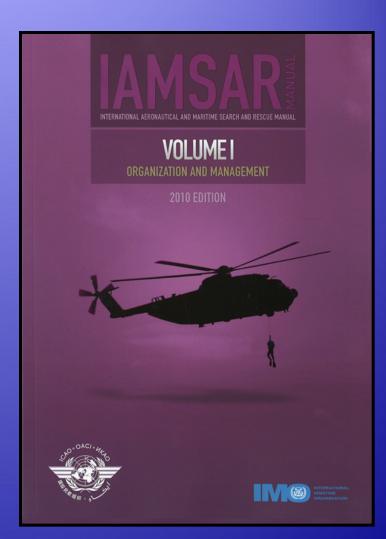
### Harmonize by:

- Standard documents, practices, procedures,
- Coordinate with other agencies
- Coordinate with neighboring countries
- Participate in regional forums
- As you work on your SAR services, align the Global SAR Plan and the Regional Air Navigation Plan

#### International Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue (IAMSAR) Manual

Harmonizes aeronautical and maritime search and rescue organization, procedures, equipment, terminology internationally





Government Processes to Establish a SAR System

- Our countries are part of the Global SAR System
- ICAO and IMO Guidance/Conventions

 International Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue Manual (IAMSAR Manual)

- National SAR Committee
- National SAR Plan

## SAR Forums

Your own national SAR meetings This SAR Seminar (ICAO HQ and Regional Office and host country) Central America's "COBUSA" ICAO-IMO coordinated effort (? Oct 2015) Follow-on forums SARSAT Training (annual, February/March) ICAO/IMO JWG (annual, September) Others???



#### Aircraft can assist in SAR or be a SAR incident. However, a Plan is needed for both.



Harmonize aeronautical and maritime SAR services –

- Establish a national SAR coordinating committee
- Participate in interagency and regional meetings, and
- Maintain Global SAR Plan & Regional Air Navigation Plan