



AIDC TASK FORCE
Minutes of Teleconference/12
(29-jun-2015 1800 UTC)

References:

- 1 Ref 1
- 2 Ref 2

Purpose and agenda:

Statement of purpose: To follow up on pending actions and comment on ANI/WG/2 meeting

- 1 Review and approval of agenda.
- 2 Follow up on pending actions:
 - 2.1 Comparison of existing AIDC ICDs (United States, Costa Rica, COCESNA).
 - 2.2 LOA annex template for AIDC (United States).
 - 2.3 Testing procedure for AIDC (COCESNA).
- 3 Performance indicator review. Goal for CAR region.
- 4 Discussion of standalone solution (Trinidad and Tobago)
- 5 Other matters.

Participants:

1. Cuba: Carmen de Armas
2. Dominican Republic: Julio Mejía and Fernando Casso (rapporteur)
3. PIARCO: Kent Ramnarace Singh
4. United States: Dan Eaves
5. ICAO: Julio Siu

Discussions:

Review and approval of agenda

1. The agenda was approved without modification.

Comparison of existing AIDC ICDs

2. United States commented, as was also during the ANI/WG/2 meeting, that PAN is oriented towards oceanic operations, while NAM is more adapted to domestic/surveillance environments. Since the CAR region is mostly a surveillance-based environment, NAM would adapt better. The consideration of neighboring FIRs is critical to the selection of an ICD, as there are FIRs that have both oceanic as well as surveillance oriented adjacent FIRs, so both may be used. But it would not be practical to have both ICDs described in the same document. NAM is transitioning to a handoff/point-out solution.
3. The comparison table was presented, and there were several unclear issues. There were some items highlighted in color, but the meaning of each color was not described. Also, there were some items without any value for the NAM columns that the meeting considered should have specific values.
4. ICAO informed that the next GREPECAS meeting will begin on July 21st, so it would be necessary to have the report on this matter by the end of next week. United States would produce a preliminary report, and the rapporteur would get in contact with Warren Quirós, from Costa Rica, to help clarify the elements in the table, so as to produce this report by the deadline.

LOA annex template for AIDC

5. During the February meeting in Mexico, a task of proposing a template for the LOAs necessary for the implementation of AIDC was assigned. United States clarified that the template in question was not like the boundary agreements in



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the NAM ICD document, but as the attachments in the operational LOAs between FIRs. This document would indicate the specifics to the interface, such as when to send messages, which coordination points would be used, and so on. This template would be drafted by July 22nd, with collaboration of Cuba, United States and COCESNA. The rapporteur will distribute this draft for feedback, and the final version will be presented on August 28.

Test procedure for AIDC

6. This is a pending item assigned to COCESNA, discussed during the meeting in February. Since there were no representatives from COCESNA, the rapporteur agreed to follow up on this deliverable.

Performance indicator review

7. The rapporteur recalled that the 81% AIDC implementation in the region had reached the goal established in the Port-of-Spain declaration, but presented the graphs that showed a less than 50% implementation in the CAR region. During the ANI/WG/2 meeting a secondary goal of 80% implementation in the CAR region for December 2017 was discussed. After analysis of this goal, and looking at the pending implementations in the CAR region, a new goal of 9 FIRs with at least one interface implemented by December 2016 was established. This was considered a more realistic goal for the Task Force.

Discussion of standalone solution

8. The rapporteur indicated that during the discussions in the ANI/WG/2 meeting, Trinidad and Tobago mentioned a standalone solution that was implemented some time ago by a provider. This solution was to be discussed in the teleconference, as it may represent an opportunity for FIRs to test AIDC before or during the process of implementation. Trinidad and Tobago commented that this solutions was just a terminal connected to another remote equipment, did not attach or integrate with any ATC system, and was only for sending flight plans and estimates. The conclusion was that this equipment was not applicable as a trial tool for AIDC.

Other Matters

9. ICAO informed the meeting of the successful implementation of AIDC between Cuba and COCESNA, and congratulated the FIRs for the milestone. The members extended their congratulations also.

Review of Previous Action Items

ACT No.	Description	Status	Comments

Summary of Action Items from this Meeting

ACT No.	Description	Status	Comments
01/12	United States to create a draft report of the differences between ICDs by July 10 th .	Valid	
02/12	Rapporteur to contact Costa Rica and distribute the ICD comparison table with explanations and clarifications by July 10 th .	Valid	
03/12	Cuba, United States and COCESNA to create a draft LOA template for feedback by July	Valid	



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ACT No.	Description	Status	Comments
	22 nd .		
04/12	Members to provide feedback for the LOA template by August 31 st .	Valid	
05/12	Cuba, United States and COCESNA to finalize the LOA template by August 28 th .	Valid	

Next meeting: August 31st at 1800 UTC.