



*4th AIDC Task Force Teleconference
(February 18, 2014, 1600 UTC)*

References:

1. Minutes of 3rd AIDC Taskforce Teleconference

Purpose and agenda: to follow up on the progress of action items of previous teleconference, and to review work programme activities. The adopted agenda was as follows:

- a) Review of action items from last Teleconference
- b) Review of work programme activities
- c) Other matters

Participants:

- Costa Rica: Warner Quiroz
- Cuba: Carmen de Armas, Jorge Centella
- Dominican Republic: Fernando Casso (Rapporteur)
- United States: Dan Eaves
- IATA: Abang Floyd
- COCESNA: Mayda Avila, Jenny Lee

Discussions:

Review of action items from last Teleconference:

1. The review of the last teleconference's action items was as follows:
 - **ACT 01/03:** The FPL Ad-hoc Group (lead by Mayda Avila from COCESNA) will review all the analyses on missing/duplicated FPL by 14 Feb 2014 and considering the actions mandated in the NACC/WG Conclusion 3/3 (attached) will:
 - a) Present as statistics the sources of the missing/duplication of FPLs. **Completed**
 - b) Recommend actions/ considerations to mitigate/ solve the FPL related problems (specific to States/users). **Completed**
 - c) Proposed an action plan for States and the TF to follow-up to ensure progress is achieved **Pending**
 - d) All the above to be included in WP of AIDC TF to NACC/WG/04 Meeting **Pending**
 - **ACT 02/03:** Dominican Republic and United States to provide to the FPL Ad-hoc Group their national FPL analysis by 22 Jan 2014. Costa Rica will provide their analysis by 23 Jan 2014. **Costa Rica completed.**
 - **ACT 03/03:** Dominican Republic, United States and COCESNA, led by Dominican Republic by 14 Feb 2014 will:
 - a) Conduct a comparison of the NAM ICD and the CAR/SAM ICD **Completed**
 - b) Develop a draft conclusion for the adoption of the NAM ICD and related actions for the CAR/SAM ICD document **Pending**
 - c) Recommendation for upgrades to NAM/CAR ICD **Pending**
 - **ACT 04/03:** The ANIWG AIDC TF Rapporteur in coordination with ICAO will update the AIDC Plan by 14 Feb 2014 **In progress.**
 - **ACT 05/03:** The AIDC TF work programme will be updated to reflect the assistance of the AIDC TF with those States implementing AIDC in the short term, 14 Feb 2014. **Pending, dependent on update of AIDC plan.**
 - **ACT 06/03:** ANIWG AIDC TF Rapporteur will prepare the TF WP to report the progress to the NACC/WG/04 Meeting by Feb 21. **In progress.**
 - **ACT 07/03:** All participants to send desirable System Manufacturers to ICAO by 24 Jan 2014. **Incomplete, N/A.**
 - **ACT 08/03:** All AIDC TF Members to take note for participating in the workshop and the Meeting in April. **Complete.**
 - **ACT 09/03:** AIDC TF Rapporteur to send ICAO the tentative AIDC TF Meeting agenda to ICAO by 24 Jan 2014 for ICAO to include in the Automation and AIDC TF Meeting invitation. **In progress.**
 - **ACT 01/04:** Task Force to send any additional topics for the meeting by February 21st.

Review of work programme activities

2. AIDC trials and operational activities

- a. Evaluation of ICDs and comments for most appropriate ICD to adopt. A comparison table between the NAM ICD and CAR/SAM ICD was presented, with the most significant differences pointed out. It was noted that the differences between them are minor.
- b. Final recommendations for adoption of ICD Doc. The TF concluded that the NAM ICD be the preferred ICD to implement in the region, when there are no special conditions that can could favour the use of any other. An example of an exception requiring the treatment of oceanic messages by means of the APAC ICD was mentioned, and in those cases the involved States will establish agreements with each other.
- c. Evaluation-recollection of AIDC requirements from each ATC Unit. This item was clarified, as there were doubts on needed to be provided.
- d. Recommendation and operation suggestions for trials/implementation of AIDC. United States presented a document outlining important topic to take into account for implementation. The document was distributed to the group,

ACT 02/04: The Task Force will send any topics and comments on this document by February 21st.

3. Missing/duplication of FPL's

- a. Recollection of results and lesson learned from FPL solutions carried out in E/CAR, CA and USA-Cuba
- b. Evaluations, results and observations to Rapporteur
- c. Draft Action Plan

COCESNA presented a summary of the study based on the data supplied by Cuba, Costa Rica, the E/CAR region and themselves, which was distributed to the group. Among the recommendations was for creation of a monitoring group that would regularly report anomalies to the corresponding originator. For this it was suggested that each State have a designated point of contact, so there is somebody responsible for the actions needed to correct the errors reported. There has been experience of errors being reported, but no actions taken. It was also pointed out that airlines have not signed agreement letters with the CAAs in matters that would correct common mistakes, and that the situation depends on many parties.

ACT 03/04: It was agreed to define the membership of this group in the upcoming Task Force meeting.

4. Update of AIDC Regional Plan.

Some States sent the update, as Costa Rica and Cuba. There are still States that have not, some of which are not members of the Task Force.

ACT 04/04: Rapporteur will ask ICAO for assistance with those States that are not members of the Task Force, and those that are members but have not participated (Bahamas, PIARCO, Haiti, Mexico, Curaçao) to provide the data for updating the Regional Plan.

Other matters

No other matters were discussed.

Next meeting: March 18 at 1600 UTC