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CAR/SAM Regional Strategy for the deployment of the ATN and its applications	
Short term (2005 – 2011)	
1.	States/Territories/International Organizations complete the updating of the aeronautical digital communication networks by providing intra and inter-regional interconnection and interoperability.
2.	The ATN ground-to-ground portion will initially support the implementation of the ATS message handling system (AMHS) to replace the AFTN.
3.	States/Territories/International Organizations carry out the strategic deployment of a limited number of ATN routers of the ATN backbone to support other ground-ground and air-ground applications.
4.	During the transition phase some AFTN circuits and systems may remain in operation. A reasonable timeframe must be established for its replacement with AMHS.
5.	The referred ATN routers must provide AFTN/AMHS gateway during the transition phase.
6.	States/Territories/International Organizations carry out the gradual updating of the AFTN centres by AMHS servers. In order that necessary interfaces in the AFTN centres be implemented to connect AMHS circuits and the new AMHS servers be implemented with the capacity of connecting AFTN circuits.
7.	The implementation of the AIDC within control centres of adjacent States/Territories/International Organizations begins.
8.	States/Territories/International Organizations must work in close cooperation to support themselves on a multinational basis to implement the ATN and its applications to ensure the system interoperability.
9.	States/Territories/International Organizations must undertake the training of operational and technical personnel in order to provide the necessary knowledge to introduce the ATN and its ground-ground applications (AMHS and AIDC).
10.	Based on the relevant deployment of the ATN ground-to-ground infrastructures and ground applications, States/Territories/International Organizations must gradually introduce ATN air-ground applications.
11.	Implementation will be in full agreement with SARPs, ICAO PANS and GREPECAS guide.
	<u>Medium term (2011 – 2015)</u>
12.	Here the implementation of AMHS must be completed and the implementation of the AIDC continues.
13.	States/Territories/International Organizations must extend the deployment of air-ground applications.
14.	The use of the ATN with techniques defined in the SARPs continues and the planning to update the ATN terrestrial portion commence to satisfy the new ATM global system requirements.
	Long term (As of 2015)
15.	Planning and implementation of the ATN and its applications will be carried out in accordance with the ATN evolution and the development of associated techniques and in conformity with the ATM global system requirements and the new SARPs, ICAO PANS and GREPECAS guidelines.