#### INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

# AFI PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION REGIONAL GROUP SEVENTEENTH MEETING (APIRG/17) (Burkina Faso, 2 to 6 August 2010)

# Agenda Item: 5 Report on Tactical Action Group (TAG) Activities

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(Presented by TAG Secretary)

#### **SUMMARY**

This paper presents a brief summary of the results of the telephone conferences held by TAG since the last meeting of APIRG and it shows in a graphic format the Air Safety Reports (ASRs) trends on an FIR by FIR basis.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 In 2009, due to a high number of Unsatisfactory Condition Reports (UCRs), TAG identified a need to conduct TAG technical assistance missions to a number of States in order to address safety concerns. Some of those missions were carried out while some have not being conducted yet due to a lack of support from target States in approving the missions.
- 1.2 It is imperative to ensure that AFI States, in compliance with the SP AFI RAN 08 direction recognize and adhere to the TAG mechanism and accept TAG visits as required, and engage them in dialogue and action plans for implementation of corrective measures for identified deficiencies.

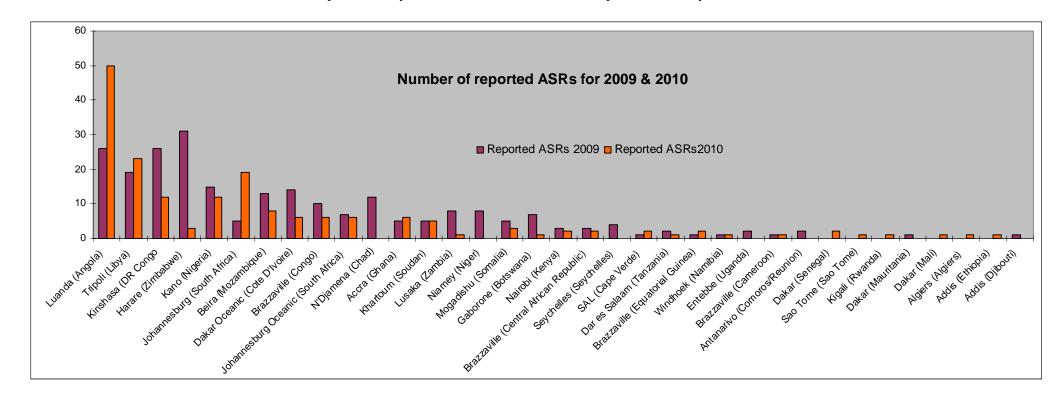
#### 2. ACTION BY THE MEETING IS IN PARAGRAPH 3.

- 2.1 ATS/AIS/SAR/SG/10 Conclusion 10/02 requests that, in support of the establishment of a Tactical Action Group as endorsed by the SP AFI RAN 08 in its recommendation 6/7, States, as a matter of priority, make all efforts to assist and comply with requests from the TAG group.
- 2.2 At the initial meeting of the TAG held in May 2009, there was agreement that in order to advance the work of the TAG and in compliance with the Terms of Reference (TOR) and Work Programme established by the SP AFI RAN 08, the TAG would review on a biweekly basis Unsatisfactory Condition Reports (UCRs) also know as Air Safety Report (ASRs) in order to reduce their number and frequency of occurrence.

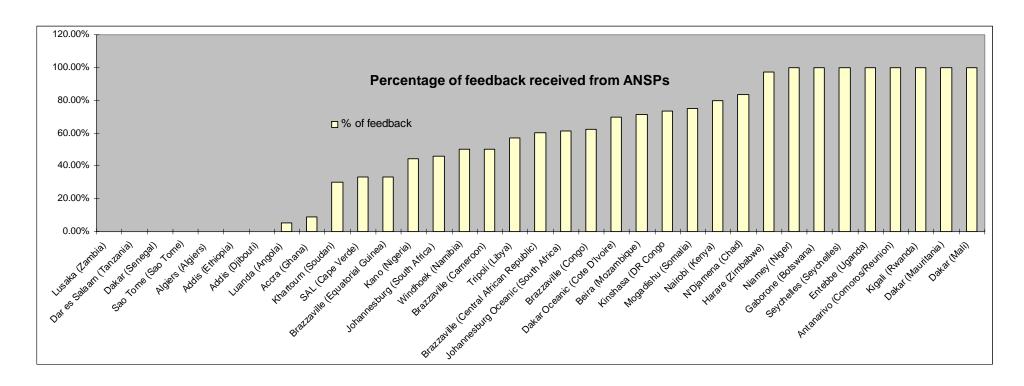
#### 3.1 DISCUSSION

# 3.1 Total number of ASRs/UCRs per FIR (separated by State)

The total number of ASRs/UCRs is indicated for period 01 July 2009 to 31 December 2009 and for period 01 January 2010 to 30 June 2010.

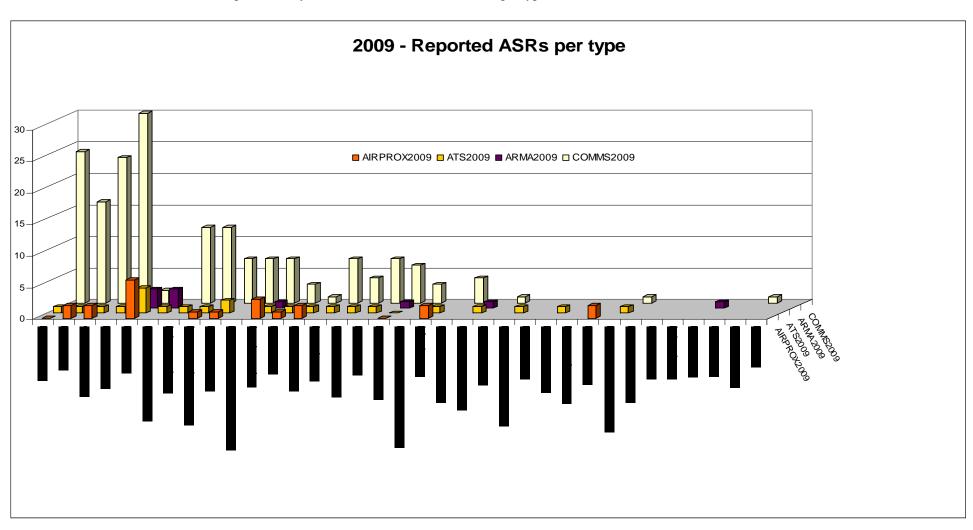


# 3.2 Percentage of feedback received from ANSPs on reported ASRs/UCRs by TAG

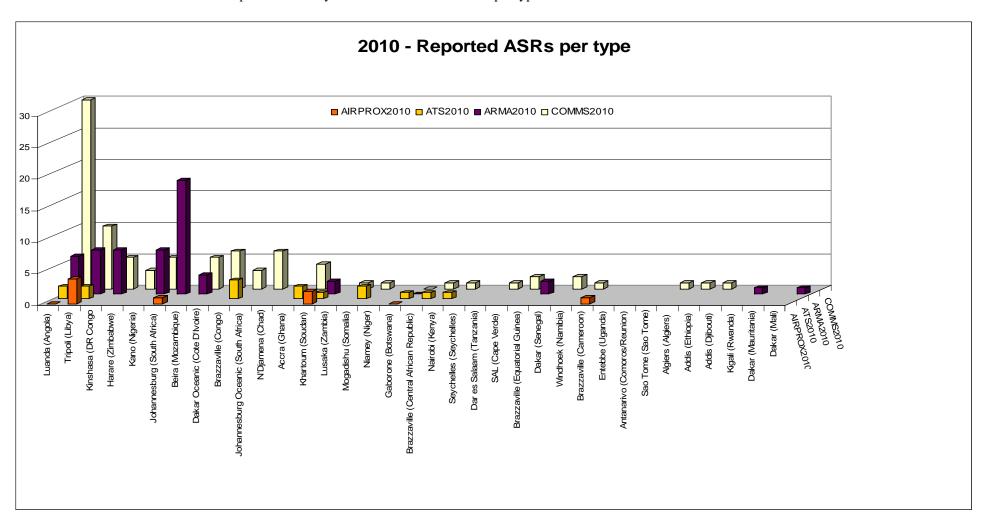


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# 2.3 ASRs/UCRs for period 1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009 sorted per type



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- 3.5 As it can be seen from the previous charts, there are a high number of ASRs/UCRs in general in Africa however, certain States or FIRs, seem to have a preponderance of events occurring in their airspace. In this regard, the TAG had identified a need to conduct technical assistance missions to a few of the States with a large number of UCRs and/or States that are not responding to TAG queries about UCRs.
- 3.6 As it was mentioned in WP 38 the two biggest barriers TAG has found in carrying out its work has been the lack of response by State authorities in attempting to secure State mission approvals in a timeframe compatible with the urgency identified by the TAG and the naming of an individual in each State to be the TAG point of contact.

# 3. **SUGGESTED ACTION**

4.1 Urge States to note the information contained in this paper and make every effort to actively participate in TAG activities throughout the year.

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