File Ref.: SR 3/80 **- 1299**   18 November 2004

Subject: SAT/12 Meeting (Sal, Cape Verde, 15 - 17 December 2004)

Action required :   Please reply not later than 03 December 2004

Sir/Madam,

1.   I have the honour to inform you that the ICAO Regional Offices in Dakar and Lima will organize the 12th Meeting on the continued improvement of Air traffic services over the South Atlantic in Sal Island, Cape Verde, from 15 to 17 December 2004, to which your Administration/Organization is invited to participate.

2.   The provisional Agenda (WP/1) for the meeting is attached hereto as Appendix A. The meeting will be in English language only. The information bulletin for the meeting will be sent to you as soon as it is finalized with Sal Oceanic FIR.

3.   The main objectives of the meeting are to explore ways and means of further enhancing the provision of air traffic services in the South Atlantic through the established interregional coordination mechanism.

4.   Your Administration is particularly invited to:

   a)   Confirm by electronic mail (to **icaodkr@icao.sn**) or fax (to **+221 823 69 26**) its intention to participate and accordingly provide the names and functions of its representatives as soon as possible, but in any case not later than 3 December 2004; and

   b)   Prepare and send to this Office copies of working and/or information papers (if any) to be presented on the basis of the attached Agenda.

   Accept, Sir/ Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

                                        A. Cheiffou
                                 ICAO Regional Director
                           Western and Central African Office

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INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

TWELFTH MEETING ON THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE AIR TRAFFIC SERVICES IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC

(Sal, Cape Verde, 15 – 17 December 2004)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Agenda Item 1 :   Follow up of conclusions from SAT/11 Meeting.

Agenda item 2:   Review of the Report on SAT/11 Task Force meeting and follow up action taken by SAT members

Agenda item 3:   Air Traffic Management

- Harmonization of RVSM programmes for CAR/SAM and AFI Regions, including flight level allocation scheme
- Introduction of Random RNAV Routing in the South Atlantic

Agenda Item 4:   Communications

- Performance assessment (AFTN statistics, loss of messages)
- Extension of VHF coverage
- VSAT networks: developments, consolidation, interoperability requirements

Agenda Item 5 :   CNS/ATM systems implementation

- Systems evolution tables
- ADS/CPDLC programmes

Agenda Item 6 :   Any other Business.

- Harmonization of ANPs
- Contingency planning