



**International Civil Aviation Organisation  
West and Central African Office**

**Twentieth Meeting on the Improvement of Air Traffic Services over the South  
Atlantic (SAT/20)**

**(Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, 1- 5 June 2015)**

**Agenda Item 2: Air Traffic management (ATM) (by the ATM Working Group)**

**2.3: ATS Contingency planning**

(Presented by Secretariat)

**SUMMARY**

This paper recalls the ongoing efforts to ensure a comprehensive ATS Contingency Planning and an implementation framework for the SAT area.

**Action by the meeting is in paragraph 3**

**1. Introduction**

2.1 The need for establishing an ATM Contingency Plan is a requirement in Annex 11 to the Chicago Convention.

**2. Discussion**

2.1 The SAT group decided to establish an ATM Contingency Plan pursuant to the requirements of Annex 11 Appendix.

2.2 South Africa volunteered and took up the initiative to develop a Draft ATM Contingency Plan which was submitted to SAT member States/FIRs for adoption or harmonization with individual national contingency plans.

2.3 The SAT 19 adopted Conclusion SAT19/02: **Contingency Planning**

*That:*

*SAT States:*

*a) Review the Contingency Plan, presented in SAT17 by South Africa, and send comments to Martinc@atns.co.za by 30th November 2014.*

*b) Notify if there is no comments to be provided.*

2.4 The meeting is invited to note that the lack of progress on the task over the past four years. The SAT group has been noted and credited for its project approach methodology in executing programmes and accomplishing tasks to bring to a closure. It is therefore important for the SAT group to renew its commitment to the development of an ATM contingency plan for the SAT area and adopt an implementation roadmap to conclude the item.

**3. Action by the meeting**

The meeting is invited to:

3.1 Note the information in this paper;

3.2 Reassess the need for ATM Contingency Plan over the high-seas; and

3.3 Propose an implementation plan and roadmap towards the establishment of ATM Contingency Plan for the high-sea over the South Atlantic area.

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