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Virtual Workshop on the establishment of an effective Search and Rescue (SAR) organization

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APIRG Conclusion 20/10

Conclusion 20/10: Search and Rescue (SAR)

That:

a) States be urged to conclude SAR agreements under Regional frameworks to facilitate operational cooperation and efficiency; and

b) The Secretariat should follow up on APIRG/19 Conclusion 19/21, on SAR Data Collection and Development and Management of an AFI SAR Web Page and 19/22 on Establishment of SAR Team of Experts and SAR Support Project and report progress to APCC and subsequently present a status report to the next Meeting of APIRG (APIRG/21).





Lomé Declaration and Action Plan Targets

- States shall ensure that a legal framework is established for a sustainable and adequate funding mechanism of SAR systems and services. **Dec 2018**
- States shall ensure that the necessary Bilateral/Multilateral SAR Agreements as required in Annex12 to the Chicago Convention are negotiated, signed and implemented with all neighbouring and adjacent Search and Rescue Regions (SRR) and Flight Information Regions. **Dec 2018**
- States shall endeavour to negotiate, sign and implement Multilateral Agreements with as many Partner States and organizations that can combine efficient Search and Rescue Operations pooling resources and skills. Dec 2018
- States shall encourage the signing of internal agreements with entities that can support SAR services. **Dec 2018**





Lomé Declaration and Action Plan Targets

- States shall organise multi agencies, multi States and combined Regional SAR exercises to test SAR systems in place involving as many SAR units as practicable. Dec 2019
- States should take advantage of Regional Economic Communities platform such as ECOWAS, UEMOA, CEMAC, EAC, ECCAS, SADC, COMESA, UMA or other sub-regional arrangements to establish Subregional, harmonized SAR arrangements. Dec 2019
- States should develop and implement training programmes and plans for capacity building of search and rescue personnel, including those involved in the oversight of SAR. Dec 2018
- States should establish a Joint Rescue Coordination Centre (JRCC) to coordinate aeronautical and maritime SAR operations where is practicable, and pooling resources (human, assets, funding, etc.). Dec 2019





Abuja Safety Targets (ANS): Search and Rescue All AFI States to establish effective and operational SAR organization by:

- Developing SAR National Plan by end of 2018;
- Concluding SAR Agreements / MoUs with all neighboring States by end of 2018;
- Organising multi-agency, multi-State and combined Regional SAR exercises to test SAR systems in place involving as many SAR units as practicable by end of 2019.





APIRG Conclusion 22/09: Follow-up on the AFI Plan SAR Projects for AFI States a) AFI States: i. Expedite the development and operationalisation of their SAR plans, which should include State agencies that would be involved with supporting SAR operation;

- ii. Coordinate directly with the authorities responsible for SAR in adjacent States and arrange for signing of their SAR agreements as soon as practicable and inform ESAF and WACAF Regional Offices;
- iii. Use Regional Economic Communities (RECs) frameworks to pursue signing of outstanding SAR agreements where high level intervention is required;
- b) Having adequate SAR expertise and resources to assist other States, upon request, in improving their SAR organisation and capabilities; and
- c) IATA / Airlines include SAR requirements as part of their pre-operational assessment and technical panels/missions to States/ ANSPs.





ICAO Business Plan 2020 - 2022

- 60% of States to develop national SAR plans, sign letters of agreements (LOAs) and conduct multi-State SAR exercises 100% by 2022;
- Workshops/seminars on implementation of SAR requirements in coordination with adjacent regions (WACAF, APAC and MID);
- Conduct interregional SAR coordination workshops; and
- 48 AFI States assisted through four workshops in coordination with ESAF by end of 2022.





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