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THIRD MEETING OF THE REGIONAL AVIATION SAFETY GROUP FOR AFRICA AND THE INDIAN OCEAN REGION (RASG-AFI/3)

Yamoussoukro, Cote d'Ivoire (03 – 04 December 2015)

Agenda Item 3: Review of Conclusions and Decisions of past meetings
- **First Meeting of RASG-AFI Steering Committee (RASC/1)**

STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONCLUSIONS AND DECISIONS OF RASC/1

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY
This paper provides a status report on the implementation of Conclusions and Decisions of the First Meeting of the Regional Aviation Safety Group for Africa and the Indian Ocean Region Steering Committee (RASC/1)
REFERENCE(S): Report of the First Meeting of the RASG-AFI Steering Committee (RASC/1)
Related ICAO Strategic Objective(s): This working paper is related to the Safety Strategic Objective of ICAO

1.   INTRODUCTION

1.1   The RASG-AFI Steering Committee (RASC) was established to guide the work of the Group and to ensure that safety initiatives translated in the RASG-AFI activities are implemented in a timely, effective and efficient manner.

1.2   Following the First meeting of the RASC, the Secretariat circulated the final Report including the Conclusions and Decisions.

2.   DISCUSSION

2.1.   The RASC/1 meeting adopted twelve (12) Conclusions and six (6) Decisions; as shown in the attached **Appendix** which provides the status of implementation of the actions derived from them.

2.2.   The Steering Committee organizes RASG-AFI activities which are mainly categorized under the framework of the four Safety Support Teams so as to promote AFI safety performance and attainment of the regional safety targets in a sustainable manner.

2.3.   Although progress has been made in the implementation of RASC activities, it is important to note that some of these are continual in nature and therefore their status of implementation remains on-going.

3.   ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1.   The meeting is invited to:

    a)   note the status of implementation of the RASC/1 Conclusions and Decisions ; and

    b)   review the open items and provide further guidance on actions/initiatives aimed at enhancing the effectiveness of the RASC and its activities.

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APPENDIX
Conclusions and Decisions of RASGC/1

Conclusion/ Decision no.	Title of Conclusion/Decision	Text of Conclusion/Decision	Responsibility	Deliverable	Status
1	2	3	4	5	6
Conclusion 1/01	Leadership role in the execution of tasks and responsibilities	That, Champion States and Co-Champions of the Safety Support Teams take a more active leadership role in the execution of their tasks and responsibilities.	SSC: Ghana and AFCAC; FSO: Senegal and Uganda; AIG: Ethiopia and IFALPA; ESI: Kenya, ASECNA, ACI)	Improved EI of Critical Elements of a Safety Oversight System in AFI States.	On-going Except for the SSC and FSO Champion States, SSTs have not been very active
Conclusion 1/02	Connectivity constraints for participation in teleconferences.	That, Champion States encountering connectivity constraints that prevent them from participating effectively in RASC teleconferences contact the relevant ICAO Regional Office for alternative arrangements.	State ICAO RO	Effective participation in RASC teleconferences	On-going

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Conclusion 1/03	Funding of Runway Safety Go-Teams	That, The Secretariat approaches Regional Economic Communities (RECs) and explores the possibility of their contribution to the funding of activities of Runway Safety Go-Teams.	RASG-AFI	Improved EI of Critical Elements of a Safety Oversight System in AFI States. Approval from financial institutions and	On-going ADB has approved an air transport sector project which includes funding of RST missions in UEMOA, ECOWAS and CEAC REC's member States
Conclusion 1/04	Report on status of implementation / establishment of Regional Aircraft Accident Investigation entities, State AIG Bodies and / or conclusion of related agreements within the AFI Region	That, Ethiopia, as the AIG Champion State, with the support of the Secretariat, conducts an assessment of the status of implementation / establishment of Regional Aircraft Accident Investigation entities, State AIG Bodies and / or conclusion of related agreements within the AFI Region and submits a report, including recommended strategies, to RASC by 1st May, 2015.	Ethiopia Secretariat	Improved safety oversight system	On-going

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Conclusion 1/05	Methodology for CAP updating and CMA OLF activities	That, the methodology utilized by the FSO Champion State for CAP updating and CMA OLF activities be adopted as "best practice" and that the Champion works with the Secretariat on its refinement and availability in English, and eventual sharing with States' NCMCs.	FSO Champion State Secretariat	Improved safety oversight system	On-going
Conclusion 1/06	Engaging ESAF States in resolving SSCs	That, The High Level efforts of AFCAC and the AU be complemented by the Chairman of RASG-AFI and RD/ESAF in directly engaging the concerned States of the ESAF region particularly Angola, Botswana and Malawi, in a bid to resolving their respective SSCs.	ESAF RASG AFI	Attainment of Abuja Safety targets	On-going AFI CIS missions relaunched in Oct 2015 with focus on ESAF States
Conclusion 1/07	Follow-up with States scheduled for USOAP audit activities	That, ICAO Regional Offices make follow-ups on activities of States scheduled for USOAP audit activities (ICVM or CSA).	Regional Offices	Improved EI of Critical Elements of a Safety Oversight System in AFI States.	On-going
Conclusion 1/08	Coordination between ICAO ESAF Office and Kenya (Champion, ESI)	That, The ICAO ESAF Office closely coordinates with Kenya, as Champion for ESI, to ensure progress in the activities of the ESI SST and that the Secretariat formally conveys this to the ESAF Office.	Secretariat ESAF Kenya	Effective implementation of RASG-AFI activities	On-going

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Conclusion 1/09	Coordination on implementation of AIG project training/workshops	That, The Secretariat coordinates with the AFI Plan and the Bureau d'Enquête Accidents (BEA) of France on their proposed AIG training activities scheduled for the two regions (ESAF/WACAF) and the planned implementation workshops proposed in the AIG Project.	RASG-AFI WACAF	Improved safety oversight system BEA AIG Workshop conducted in WACAF – Dakar from 6 to 16 October 2015	On-going
Conclusion 1/10	Amendment of States' regulations to incorporate IOSA requirements	That, The FSO Champion liaises with IATA for the development of a model text that could be shared with COSCAPs/RSOOs and AFI-CIS to encourage States in carrying out the necessary amendments of their regulations to incorporate IOSA requirements. The proposed text to be finalized by 30 April 2015.	FSO Champion	Increased prominence to IOSA requirements Attainment of Abuja safety targets.	On-going
Conclusion 1/11	Publication and Launching of the first report of the ASRT.	That, - the final draft of the report be ready for circulation by 25 April 2015 (i.e. the end of the ASRT meeting in Johannesburg) and the final version be ready on time for publication and for launching at the Maputo Meeting. - a teleconference involving RASC, ASRT, and AFI Group Coordinator, be conducted on 6 May, 2015 at 13:00 hrs. (UTC) to finalize the ASRT's report.	RASC	ASRT report	Completed AFI Aviation week, Maputo, May 2015

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Conclusion 1/12	Development of specific project proposals by Champion States	That, In view of the challenges highlighted, the respective SST Champions make specific project proposals to be presented to partners and stakeholders for their support.	SSC: Ghana FSO: Senegal AIG: Ethiopia ESI: Kenya.	Effective implementation of RASG-AFI activities	On-going
Decision 1/01	Venue for the second Meeting of RASC (RASC/2).	That, RASC/2 be held in Praia, Cape Verde, in October 2015, on the margins of the next APIRG/RASG-AFI/DGCA/AFPPSC Meetings.	Secretariat	Acceptation by Côte d'Ivoire to host the Meetings of APIRG/20 and RASG-AFI/3 in place of Cape Verde	Steering Committee Meeting to conducted on the eve of RASG-AFI/3
Decision 1/02	AIM to be included in the list of Emerging Safety Issues (ESI)	That, Aeronautical Information Management (AIM) be included in the list of ESIs generally, and that AIS/AIM transition forms part of the ESI-SST activities.	RASG AFI	Improved safety oversight system	On-going To be endorsed by RASG-AFI/3 meeting
Decision 1/03	Funding of critical activities of 2015 Work programme	That, The Secretariat explores with ICAO HQ, the possibility of utilizing BOEING SAFE Funds to finance critical activities of the 2015 Work programme including the Runway Safety Project.	Secretariat ICAO HQ Boeing	Effective implementation of AFI Plan	Not implemented

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Decision 1/04	Adoption of Sierra Leone case as best practice	That, As a best practice, Regional Offices work with States based on specific tactical plans to resolve SSCs by adopting the case of Sierra Leone as good practice.	Regional Offices AFI States	Resolution of SSC	On-going
Decision 1/05	Coordination between APIRG and RASG-AFI	Considering the need to put in place measures to strengthen existing arrangements and adequately address the requirements for coordination between APIRG and RASG-AFI, that: - A joint Task Force, as a subsidiary body responsible for coordinating the activities of APIRG and RASG-AFI to ensure consistency, efficiency and lack of duplication and conflict between the two Groups, be created; and - The Secretariat develops the Terms of Reference (TOR) of the proposed APIRG/RASG-AFI Coordination Task Force for presentation to the RASC teleconference on 6 May 2015 and, subsequently, for consideration by the next APIRG/RASG-AFI meetings in October, 2015.	APIRG RASG-AFI	Strengthened coordination between APIRG and RASG-AFI Improved efficiency and harmonization of APIRG and RASG-AFI activities implementation	On-going
Decison 1/06	Review of RASG-AFI Structure	That, The Secretariat re-visit the RASG-AFI Structure for the purpose of optimizing the line of reporting and bring up a proposal for consideration by the RASC teleconference of 6 May 2015 and, ultimately, RASG-AFI/3 in October, 2015.	RASG-AFI	Optimization of reporting line	On-going To be endorsed by RASG-AFI/3

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