

**Twenty Third Meeting of the
Informal South Pacific ATS Co-ordinating Group (ISPACG/23)**

Santiago, Chile, 26-27 March 2009

Agenda Item 3: Review Relevant Work Conducted Since ISPACG/22

**FIRST MEETING OF THE ASIA/PACIFIC
ICAO FLIGHT PLAN & ATS MESSAGES IMPLEMENTATION TASK FORCE**

(Submitted by ICAO Asia and Pacific Regional Office)

SUMMARY

The First meeting of the Asia/Pacific ICAO Flight Plan & ATS Messages Implementation Task Force (FPL&AM TF/1) was held from 17 -20 March 2009 at the Asia/Pacific Regional Office. This paper presents an overview of the more significant outcomes of the meeting.

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 APANPIRG/19 (September 2008) was of the view that that a full and comprehensive assessment of the implications of the transition to the new Flight Plan and ATS messages formats described in Amendment 1 to the 15th Edition of the PANS-ATM was absolutely necessary. In order to ensure that the matter would be appropriately addressed on a regional basis, APANPIRG/19 adopted the Decision 19/6 establishing a regional Task Force and drafted preliminary Terms of Reference accordingly.

2. DISCUSSION

- 2.1 The First meeting of the Asia/Pacific ICAO Flight Plan & ATS messages Implementation Task Force (FPL&AM TF/1) was held from 17 - 20 March 2009 at the Asia/Pacific Regional Office. Thirty-seven (37) participants from Australia, China, Hong Kong China, India, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand, United States, Viet Nam and IATA attended the meeting.
- 2.2 Outputs from FPL&AM TF/1 were many, and included the reviewed TORs, updated PFF and, very importantly, an interim strategy for regional implementation that was ready for review by APANPIRG and the Sub-Groups. The review of Amendment 1 completed by the Task Force had identified a number of matters which would be relayed to ICAOHQ for clarification. Agreement had been reached to conduct a one day seminar as the first day of the next meeting during November 2009 and a training



presentation was available to assist States in briefing colleagues in their home administrations. Details in this respect are contained in the attachments to this paper.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to note the information in this paper.

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