

**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

HIGH FREQUENCY MANAGEMENT GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

(Presented by Airways New Zealand)

SUMMARY

The High Frequency Management Guidance document produced by the SP6 HF working group is to address comments from airlines that there is little or no information regarding the operation of the HF network in the South Pacific.

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The South Pacific High Frequency Management Guidance document is based on a similar material available in the North Atlantic and adopted by ICAO. The South Pacific document was produced by Antoine Guirado from Tahiti in conjunction with representatives from the 5 South Pacific ground facilities with the intention to assist pilots / airlines with information regarding south pacific HF operations.

2. DISCUSSION

- 2.1 This document is designed to be the reference source of information regarding the High Frequency network in the south pacific.
- 2.2 Its content covers concepts of HF characteristics and propagation, network frequency allocation and VOLMET to detailed specifications regarding individual HF ground facilities.
- 2.3 The document while intended as a regional supplement ultimately should be combined with the existing NAT / ICAO HF guidance material to become a global document.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) Comment on the proposed document.
- b) Adopt the document as the HF guidance material for the south pacific.
- c) Recommend that the HF guidance document be sent to ICAO regional office for consideration as APANPIRG regional guidance material.