

## Thirty 37<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Informal South Pacific ATS Co-ordinating Group (ISPACG/37)

State Civil Aviation Service in French Polynesia (SEAC-PF) International Airport, Fa'a'ā, French Polynesia April 27, 2023

Agenda Item 6: Any Other Business

## **NO FIR Status Update**

Presented by ISPACG Co-Chairs (On Behalf of ICAO Lima Office)

## Update on Status of the NO FIR Airspace

As the ISPACG will be aware, a change such as the delegation of service provision in the "NO FIR" airspace necessitates a change the relevant eANP(s), specifically Volume 1. As per the process for changing eANPs (revised and approved by the ICAO Council in 2014):

"Plans should be revised when it becomes apparent that they are no longer consistent with current and foreseen requirements of international civil aviation" ...

Due to the COVID-related reduction in demand for use of the airspace, it made sense for ICAO to de-prioritize this matter until the resumption of traffic indicated a renewed necessity for the airspace. We have now received indication from potential users that such necessity is now increasing.

Consequently, the Secretariat will give this matter a renewed consideration, in order to determine the most appropriate course of action necessary to enable the timely facilitation of safe, regular, efficient and economical air transport through that portion of high seas airspace