

MAIN CONCLUSIONS AND ACTIONS AGREED

DIRECTORS GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION - EUR/NAT REGIONS

2017 MEETING (EURNAT-DGCA/2017)

(Paris, France, 5 May 2017)

Agenda Item 1: Opening Remarks

The EURNAT-DGCA/2017 Meeting was opened by the Secretary General of ICAO, Dr. Fang Liu, and the EUR/NAT Office Regional Director, Luis Fonseca De Almeida.

Agenda Item 2: Approval of the Agenda

- Mr. Patrick Gandil, Director General of the French DGCA, was confirmed as Chairman of the EURNAT-DGCA/2017 Meeting.
- The Provisional Agenda prepared by the Secretariat and as presented in WP/01 was approved.
- The Chairman in his opening remarks also recognized the participation of Andorra for the first time at an ICAO EUR/NAT Meeting.

Agenda Item 3: Overview of ICAO EUR/NAT Office

The EURNAT-DGCA/2017 Meeting received an overview of the ICAO EUR/NAT Office's environment, working structure and role in the regional civil aviation system.

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Agenda Item 4: Update on ICAO developments

- A high-level overview of the latest ICAO developments and status of civil aviation related to the main global and regional trends and challenges as well as future events was provided.
- A brief update on an action agreed by the ECAC DGCA meeting which took place on 4 May 2017 concerning the laptop ban by the United States was also provided.
- The representatives of Bosnia and Herzegovina expressed their appreciation for the work of the EUR/NAT Office in the building of their State civil aviation system and emphasized the need for the conduct of such EURNAT-DGCA meetings.
- The DG of Finland expressed his satisfaction that the EUR/NAT Office Work Programme addressed aviation safety as a priority.

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Agenda Item 5.1: Overview of ICAO Business Plan 2017-2019 and EUR/NAT Operating Plan

- A top-down view on the ICAO Business Plan for the current triennium as approved by the 39th Assembly and its link to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals was presented.
- The EURNAT-DGCA/2017 noted the approved ICAO EUR/NAT Operating Plan 2017, based on the ICAO Business plan, which formed the basis of the EUR/NAT Work Programme for the 2017-2019 triennium.

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Agenda Item 5.2: ICAO EUR/NAT Work Programme 2017-2019

i) a) EUR/NAT Air Navigation implementation and safety Status and Issues

EURNAT-DGCA Conclusion 2017/1 – ICAO EUR list of air navigation deficiencies

That EURNAT-DGCA:

- a) confirm the need to address, as a matter of priority, the air navigation deficiencies identified by EANPG;
- b) urge States to allocate necessary resources to resolve the identified deficiencies by developing and implementing immediate corrective actions and plans;
- c) for similar air navigation deficiencies affecting several States:
 - i. invite States concerned to work in close cooperation with the EUR/NAT Office of ICAO and other partners to develop, within the framework of the ICAO EUR/NAT NCLB programme, a prioritised action plan to address them; and
 - ii. invite States to share their best practices in order to support other States in the EUR Region in the resolution of identified air navigation deficiencies; and
- d) report progress to the next EURNAT-DGCA meeting.

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i) c) Crisis coordination arrangements and contingency plans in the EUR and NAT Regions and ICAO Cooperative Arrangements for the Prevention of Spread of Communicable Disease through Air Travel (CAPSCA) Project

EURNAT-DGCA Conclusion 2017/2 –	Support to CAPSCA EUR implementation and other activities as deemed necessary	WP04 PP04
<p>That the EURNAT-DGCA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) commit to support the CAPSCA EUR related activities by allocating necessary resources in order to improve coordinated responses to address health events with the potential to impact the international civil aviation system; and b) invite those States not yet members to join the CAPSCA EUR Project and actively participate in its activities. 		

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EURNAT-DGCA Conclusion 2017/3 – Support to crisis exercises/arrangements

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That EURNAT-DGCA:

- a) commit to support crisis-related activities by allocating necessary resources required in the work of EANPG, NAT SPG and RASG-EUR and their contributory bodies;
- b) invite the ICAO Regional Director, Europe and North Atlantic, on the behalf of the EURNAT-DGCA to remind States, relevant international organizations and operators of the need to continue supporting crisis related preparation activities (e.g. volcanic ash and nuclear emergency exercises) by providing the necessary human and financial resources to plan, conduct and evaluate these exercises.

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i) a) EUR/NAT Air Navigation implementation and safety Status and Issues

<p>EURNAT-DGCA Statement 2017/1 –</p> <p>That in order to ensure comprehensive and mature regional performance reports, the EURNAT-DGCA commit to allocating the necessary resources required to actively participate in the regional performance framework and provide the necessary data in accordance with the <i>EUR Region Performance Framework Document</i> (EUR Doc 030) provisions.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Implementation of the ICAO EUR Region Performance Framework</p>	<p>WP04 PP04</p>
<p>EURNAT-DGCA Conclusion 2017/4 –</p> <p>That, in order to enable a reliable analysis of the level of safety of operations in the ICAO European Region, the EURNAT-DGCA ensure that their States provide data related to vertical separation to the Regional Monitoring Agencies (EUR RMA and EURASIA RMA).</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Data provision to Regional Monitoring Agencies</p>	
<p>Baltic Sea Project Team and the Ad-hoc Civil Military Expert Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting noted with appreciation the information provided concerning the work of the Baltic Sea Project Team and the Ad-hoc Civil Military Expert Group. • It was noted that the outcomes of this work is highly beneficial for all States in the EUR/NAT Regions, in particular with regard to State aircraft operations over the High Seas. • In this respect, a brief update on the work at ICAO Headquarters to develop a new civil-military cooperation manual, which will include the regional guidance material, was also provided. 		<p>WP09</p>

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i) b) EUR/NAT Aviation Safety Status and Issues

EURNAT-DGCA Statement 2017/2 –

Support of the RASG-EUR activities

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That the EURNAT-DGCA:

- a) confirm the priority safety areas identified by RASG-EUR;
- b) commit to supporting safety-related activities by allocating necessary resources required in the work of RASG-EUR and its contributory bodies;
- c) commit to supporting the implementation of RASG-EUR safety enhancement initiatives (SEI), as required, at the national level; and
- d) agree to sharing their best practices in order to support other States in the EUR Region in the implementation of GASP and RASG-EUR priorities and objectives.

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ii) Aviation Security and Facilitation

EURNAT-DGCA Statement 2017/3 –

EUR/NAT AVSEC/FAL Work Programme 2017-2019

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That, to ensure a harmonized approach to Aviation Security and Facilitation (AVSEC/FAL) in all States in the EUR and NAT Regions, the EURNAT-DGCA:

- a) endorse the EUR/NAT AVSEC/FAL Work Programme 2017 -2019; and
- b) commit to support it with the necessary resources for its implementation through established mechanisms such as: ENAVSECG, regional workshops, meetings, training and capacity building activities, conducted in the framework of the relevant UN Security Council Resolutions and ICAO Assembly Resolutions to ensure a global harmonised approach to AVSEC/FAL and leave no country behind.

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iii) Environmental Protection

EURNAT-DGCA Conclusion 2017/5 –

Environmental Capacity Building Programme

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That, in order to address the identified concerns related to environmental protection and to support the implementation of 39th Assembly Resolutions, the EURNAT-DGCA, invite States and airspace users, under the leadership of ICAO, to:

- a) commit to include environmental issues in the planning and implementation activities related to the improvement of the civil aviation system;
- b) develop or update their quantified *States' Action Plans on CO₂ Emissions Reduction Activities* in accordance with the provisions in the *Guidance on the Development of States' Action Plans on CO₂ Emissions Reduction Activities* (ICAO Doc 9988), noting sub-regional initiatives, and submit them to ICAO by end of June 2018;
- c) use the ICAO environment tools, or any other tool which is compliant with the CAEP models and methodologies, to estimate the emissions reductions from the implementation of the mitigation measures as part of the development of States' action plans;
- d) make use of further assistance provided by ICAO in the preparation and submission of States' action plans, if required;
- e) participate in the ICAO Buddy Programme (a State that had developed its action plan providing support to another State yet to develop its plan);
- f) share their best practices and, taking into account the commercially sensitive information, consider making available to the public their submitted action plans; and
- g) voluntarily participate in the pilot phase and the first phase of the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA).

- The meeting noted the Declaration of DGCA of EU Member States and other ECAC member States regarding the adherence to CORSIA (Bratislava Declaration).

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iv) NCLB/Technical Assistance/Technical Cooperation

<p>EURNAT-DGCA Statement/ 2017/4 –</p> <p>That the EURNAT-DGCA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) endorse the development and implementation of the EUR/NAT Capacity Building Technical Assistance Programme (EUR/NAT CBP-TA), under the NCLB framework; b) commit to support the EUR/NAT CBP-TA and urge States, international organizations and industry to contribute with necessary resources for its implementation through the established ICAO mechanisms; and c) commit to coordinate with ICAO, and specifically with the EUR/NAT Office, their assistance requests/support and implementation activities. 	<p>NCLB-EUR/NAT Regional Capacity Building Technical Assistance Programme (EUR/NAT CBP-TA)</p>	<p>WP08 PP08</p>
<p>Presentations: Exchange of experience by Azerbaijan and Technical Assistance Projects by Kyrgyzstan</p> <p>The meeting noted the information provided by Azerbaijan and Kyrgyzstan and witnessed the signature of the ICAO EUR/NAT-Kyrgyzstan Memorandum.</p>		<p>WP10 IP03</p>

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Agenda Item 5.3: Priorities for the ICAO EUR/NAT Region

i) Confirmation of support of EUR/NAT Work Programme 2017-2019

- The EURNAT-DGCA/2017 agreed on the priorities identified for the ICAO EUR/NAT Region and confirmed their support of the EUR/NAT Work Programme 2017-2019.
- In this respect, cyber security was underlined as an important priority for the EUR/NAT Regions that should be addressed under the leadership of ICAO in order to ensure a globally harmonized implementation of mitigation actions.
- The DG from EUROCONTROL expressed his commitment to take part in this particular activity in order to ensure that data that had been collected in this area be shared at the international level.
- The meeting agreed that the EUR/NAT Regional Office played a key role and takes the lead in coordinating between regional organisations and ICAO Headquarters.

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ii) Future European Aviation Systems Planning Group

EURNAT-DGCA Conclusion 2017/6 -

New EUR Working Structure

That the EURNAT-DGCA, in support of the way forward agreed by RASG-EUR and EANPG, to streamline the working structure in the European Region:

- a) invite EANPG and RASG-EUR to continue coordination to advance the establishment of the European Aviation Systems Planning Group (EASPG);
- b) based on the outcome of the first combined back-to-back EANPG/59 and RASG-EUR/06 meetings in the autumn of 2017, address the ICAO Council through the ICAO Secretariat on the proposal; and
- c) report progress to the next EURNAT-DGCA meeting.

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Agenda Item 6: Future meetings and Administrative Issues		
i) Approval of the EURNAT-DGCA Handbook		
EURNAT-DGCA Decision 2017/1 –	EURNAT-DGCA Handbook, 1st Ed, v1.0	WP02
<p>That:</p> <p>a) the <i>EURNAT-DGCA Handbook</i>, 1st Edition, v1.0 - May 2017, as presented at Appendix # (<i>Appendix A to WP02</i>) to this Summary of Discussions, be approved; and</p> <p>b) the ICAO Regional Director, Europe and North Atlantic, take appropriate action to publish and promulgate the <i>EURNAT-DGCA Handbook</i>.</p>		
Agenda Item 6: Future meetings and Administrative Issues		
ii) Next meetings		
The EURNAT-DGCA/2017 agreed that the next meeting would be held tentatively in the 2018-2019 time period in order to build the work programme for the next triennium.		
Agenda Item 7: Any other business		
NIL		