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Fifth North American, Central American and Caribbean Working Group (NACC/WG) Search and Rescue (SAR) Implementation Task Force Meeting (NACC/WG/SAR/TF/5)

Mexico City, Mexico, 23 to 27 September 2024

Agenda Item 2: Search and Rescue (SAR) Global and Regional Affairs
2.1 Follow up on valid SAR Conclusions/Decisions and Deficiencies

REVIEW OF SAR CONCLUSIONS, DECISIONS AND DEFICIENCIES

(Presented by the Secretariat)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The updated list of Conclusions and Decisions of the Search and Rescue Task Force (SAR/TF) of the North American, Central American and Caribbean Working Group (NACC/WG) is presented in **Appendix A** to this WP. It is updated to the fourth meeting of the group. The status and follow-up comments for each Conclusion and Decision is the result of the review carried out by the Secretariat based on the information available at the time of preparation of this Paper. The status of each conclusion is designated as valid, completed, or superseded. Additionally, **Appendix B** includes the SAR deficiencies of the GREPECAS Air Navigation Deficiencies Database (GANDD) considered pending at the date of preparation of this Paper.

Action:	The Meeting is invited to review and comment providing updated information, status and follow-up for the implementation of the pending conclusions and decisions of previous SAR/TF meetings presented in Appendix A. States with current SAR deficiencies in the GANDD are invited to provide an update to close them.
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Strategic Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safety• Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency
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References:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Final Report of the Fourth NAM/CAR North American, Central American and Caribbean Working Group Search and Rescue Implementation Task Force (NACC/WG/SAR/TF/4) Meeting ICAO NACC Regional Office, Mexico City, Mexico, 9 to 11 August 2023• GREPECAS Air Navigation Deficiencies Database (GANDD)
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**STATUS AND FOLLOW-UP OF CONCLUSIONS (C) AND DECISIONS (D) OF
THE SEARCH AND RESCUE TASK FORCE (SAR/TF) OUTSTANDING AFTER THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

C/D No.	Area	Title of Conclusion/Decision	Text of Conclusion/Decision	Follow-up and Remarks	Responsibility	Deliverable	Target Completion Date	Status (Valid, Completed, Superseded)
NACC/WG/SAR/TF/03/01 (C)	SAR	SUPPORT THE UPDATE OF THE CAR/SAM ANP TO INCLUDE THE DEFINITION OF THE LIMITS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SEARCH AND RESCUE REGIONS OF THE CAR REGION.	<p>That, in order to support the project to review and update the CAR/SAM ANP, CAR States and Territories with an assigned SRR:</p> <p>a) Present to the ICAO NACC Regional Office: i. Updated information regarding the Search and Rescue Regions (SRR) and Search and Rescue Subregions (SRS) for which they are responsible, including the description of the lateral limits with coordinates; and ii) Updated information regarding their Rescue Coordination Centres (RCCs) and Rescue Sub-centres (RSCs), including the SAR points of contact (SPOC) and other supplementary information; and</p> <p>b) present to the NACC/WG/SAR/TF/04 the information received to evaluate and take the appropriate actions for the ICAO NACC Regional Office develop a proposal to amend the CAR/SAM ANP Vols. I and II.</p>	No progress	CAR States and Territories with an assigned SRR	Description of the SRR, RCC and RSC of the CAR Region	NACC/WG/SAR/TF/5	Valid Updated by SAR/TF/4
NACC/WG/SAR/TF/4/1 (C)	SAR	ACTION PLAN TO ADDRESS SAR DEFICIENCIES	<p>That, in order to provide support for the resolution of the pending SAR GREPECAS Air Navigation Deficiencies in the CAR Region</p> <p>a) The ICAO NACC Regional Office request Mexico and Trinidad and Tobago to work in an action plan, with the support of the NACC/WG SAR Implementation Task Force if necessary, to address the deficiencies that they have pending, by 30 October 2023;</p> <p>b) Mexico and Trinidad and Tobago submit to the ICAO NACC Regional Office their action plan to address their current SAR deficiencies, for updating the GANDD no later than 30 November 2023; and</p> <p>c) The ICAO NACC Regional Office report to the NACC/WG/SAR/TF/5 Meeting the result of the actions from Mexico and Trinidad and Tobago to address their current pending deficiencies.</p>	No progress	ICAO NACC Regional Office Mexico Trinidad and Tobago	action plan to address their current SAR deficiencies	30 October 2023;	Valid
NACC/WG/SAR/TF/4/2 (C)	SAR	UPDATE OF SAR INFORMATION IN THE CAR/SAM ANP VOL. I AND ENHANCE SAR COORDINATION	<p>In order to support the process to update the CAR/SAM ANP Vol. I to include the lateral and vertical limits of SAR Regions:</p> <p>a) Request Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago to designate a Point of Contact to represent their State, with the authority to provide information and make decisions about the lateral and vertical limits of their FIR/UIR and SRR; and</p> <p>b) Request the ICAO NACC Regional Office to contact the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Regional Office in the CAR Region and schedule a joint session to learn more about their activities in the region.</p>	No progress	Jamaica Trinidad and Tobago ICAO NACC Regional Office	Points of contact	NACC/WG/SAR/TF/5	VALID

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NACC/WG/SAR/TF/4/3 (D)	SAR	EVALUATION OF THE SAR BBBs	<p>That, to comply with the request of the NACC/WG to perform an evaluation of the SAR Basic Building Blocks</p> <p>a) ICAO NACC Regional Office to gather more information regarding BBBs evaluation, including experience from other Regional Offices.</p> <p>b) The SAR/TF Rapporteur report to the NACC/WG the challenges identified to comply with this assignment, and consider making this assessment evidence based, including in person visits to State's SAR facilities.</p>	No Progress	SAR/TF Rapporteur	Information on SAR BBBs	NACC/WG/8 Meeting	VALID
NACC/WG/SAR/TF/4/4 (C)	SAR	SUPPORT TO INTERREGIONAL SAR EXERCISE (SAREX) IN THE CAR REGION	<p>That, to support the State and regional participation in the interregional SAR Exercise (SAREX) organized by France:</p> <p>a) Trinidad and Tobago and the States and Territories under the Piarco Search and Rescue Region to join this SAREX.</p> <p>b) CAR States and the NACC/WG/SAR/TF to participate in this exercise as observers. c) ICAO NACC Regional Office will coordinate with France and the ICAO SAM RO to ensure adequate dissemination of information and the coordination with the Piarco RCC and the RSCs under Piarco SRR for active participation in this SAREX.</p> <p>d) The Secretariat will Report the outcomes and recommendations of this NACC/WG/SAR/TF/5 Meeting.</p>		ICAO NACC Regional Office Secretariat	SAREX	NACC/WG/SAR/TF/5	COMPLETED
SAR/TF/4/5 (c)	SAR	UPDATE OF THE CAR REGION SEARCH AND RESCUE PLAN	<p>With the objective of providing basic procedures and guidance to ATS units and Rescue Coordination Centres to respond to Autonomous Distress Tracking (ADT) Activation and for the ATS units and RCCs staff be familiar with the GADSS guidance in the IAMSAR</p> <p>United States SAR/TF Member to present a proposal to revise the Cospas-Sarsat section of the CAR Region SAR Plan and develop proposal to update it.</p>	In progress	United States	Proposal to update the CAR Region SAR Plan	NACC/WG/SAR/TF/5	VALID

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GREPECAS Air Navigation Deficiencies Database (GANDD)

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 Region Area State Priority Outstanding

Identification	State/Facilities and Services	Description	Notification Date	Priority	Completion Date	Executing Body	Remarks	
Region CAR Area SAR in MM								
<input type="checkbox"/> SAR-8-C	Doc 7300, Annex 12, Doc 9731, Doc 9750, Doc 8733	Mexico	Improvements in Mexico's Search and Rescue Service	AUG-2011	A	MAR-2012	DGAC	ICAO visit on 29 August 2011
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Region CAR Area SAR in TT								
<input type="checkbox"/> SAR-2-C	Annex 12, Doc 9731	Trinidad and Tobago RCC Piarco	No implementation of the RCC for SAR coordination within the Piarco FIR.	OCT-1995	A	DEC-2017	CAA Trinidad and Tobago/Ministry of Nat.Sec.	Implement SAR requirements in the Piarco FIR, through: a) the elaboration and publication of a SAR legislation, including the use, registration and development of ELT in 406 data base; b) the establishment of a National SAR Committee, including the coordination among civil and military authorities; c) the development of a National SAR Plan; d) the

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publication of applicable SAR documentation; e) the establishment of RSC with the adequate equipment; f) the development of a training plan for the personnel involved in the coordination, location and rescue missions; and g) the implementation of a grading/certification for SAR personnel.

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