
AIG REGIONAL COOPERATION MECHANISM (AIG) OF SOUTH AMERICA

FIFTH AIG AUTHORITIES MEETING

(Medellin, Colombia, 03 to 05 October 2018)

Agenda Item 03: Modification in the date of the ARCM Executive Committee annual meetings and presentation and approval of the ARCM Activities Programme

Date of the Annual Meeting and Presentation of the ARCM Activities Programme

(Working paper presented by JIAAC, Argentina)

Summary

This working paper presents to the Fifth AIG Authorities Meeting of South America (AIG-SAM/5) the proposal for modification of the dates to hold the ARCM Executive Committee annual meeting and the presentation of the ARCM activities programme for consideration.

References

- ARCM Functions and Organization Manual
- Experience of previous ARCM meetings and activities programmes

1 Introduction

The AIG Regional Cooperation Mechanism of South America (ARCM) has the mission of supporting and assisting the States that require in the issues related to aircraft accident and incident investigation in a regional cooperation environment. Participation in the ARCM by the member States of the SAM Region is voluntary and it is expressed in the signing of the ARCM Cooperation Agreement.

Among others, the ARCM has the function of strengthening cooperation and collaboration between the aircraft accident and incident investigation authorities of the member States. This is achieved through the activities planned every year and expressed in an annual activities programme.

2 Development of activities

According to the ARCM Functions and Organization Manual, the Executive Committee will meet at least once a year and may hold extraordinary sessions, if necessary. However, for the ARCM to make progress in the annual work programme it is necessary that the AIG Authorities cooperate in the execution of the activities programme. It is an essential requirement that these activities are planned and approved in advance preferably before the end of the year. Thus, every AIG organization can make its budget and resources planning that will need to participate and cooperate in the activities exposed in the annual activities programme according to their capabilities.

Likewise, this activities programme must be approved by the ARCM Executive Programme. The annual meeting of the ARCM Executive Committee is the most favorable time to address and discuss the activities to be developed in the following year. The activities programme must be the reflection of the conclusions reached by the ARCM Executive Committee in the annual meeting. This programme should include the activities that will be carried out by the specialists of the different AIG organizations, under the coordination and organization of the ARCM Technical Committee in order to achieved the objectives set by the ARCM.

Background: During this four-year period, the ARCM annual meetings were held between the months of March and June according to the year. Taking into account that in the first quarter of the year some AIG organization can face management changes, and that it is the beginning of the administrative year, the participation in the different activities and in the ARCM annual meeting may be jeopardized.

Since the ARCM is a mechanism based on cooperation between AIG organizations, it is essential that all ARCM members participate in the different activities and, specially, that the AIG Authorities of the SAM Region and Executive Committee members participate in the annual meeting, when strategic issues of the ARCM, among others, are addressed.

The possibility of having an activities programme approved before the year ends is another tool for the AIG organizations to be able to plan their participation in the different ARCM activities in advance.

3 Conclusions

In view of the above, this working paper presents to the fifth meeting the proposal for the annual meetings of the ARCM Executive Committee to be held preferably during the last quarter of the year. In this meeting, the results of the activities carried out during the year will be presented, conclusions will be reached and the activities for the following year will be planned and expressed in the activities programme; this should be approved before December, 1st.

4 Suggested Actions

AIG Authorities of the Regional are invited to:

- a) take note and comment about the information provided in this working paper;
- b) approve the proposal for the annual meetings of the Executive Committee to be held preferably during the last quarter of the year; and
- c) approve the ARCM activities programme before December, 1st of each year.

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