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ISIS PROGRAMME

(IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SINGLE EUROPEAN SKY
IN SOUTH EAST EUROPE)

Conclusions of the Governing Body meeting Solin, Croatia, 7th September 2011

The Members of the ISIS Governing Body, having regard to,

- the Agreement signed in Stockholm on 22 April 2008 for the establishment of the ISIS Programme (Implementation of the Single European Sky in South East Europe);
- the Conclusions of the ISIS Governing Body meeting adopted in Budva, Montenegro on 8 September 2010;
- the Multilateral agreement between the European Union and its Member States, the Republic of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Bulgaria, the Republic of Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the Republic of Iceland, the Republic of Montenegro, the Kingdom of Norway, Romania, the Republic of Serbia and the United National Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo¹ on the establishment of a European Common Aviation Area²:
- the desire of each of the ISIS Beneficiary to ensure regulatory convergence on air traffic management and associated matters with the European Union;
- the importance to implement an integrated, efficient, safe and secure air traffic system in the South East European region to support efficiently the development of aviation in the region;
- the necessity to ensure the appropriate technical assistance to support ISIS Beneficiaries in better meeting the requirements of the Single European Sky legislation, package 1;
- the objectives set out in the Single European Sky legislation regarding its extension to European third countries³;

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¹ Pursuant to UN Security Council Resolution 1244 of 10 June 1999

ECAA Agreement

EC Regulation 549/2004 as amended by the EC Regulation 1070/2009 – Article 7 – Relations with third countries

- the European Commission's commitment to support politically and financially the ISIS Programme;

Declare that they:

- REAFFIRM their commitment to achieving the main objectives of the Single European Sky and the implementation of the related legislation in accordance with the ECAA Agreement;
- WELCOME the political and financial support provided by the European Commission to the region in that context;
- WELCOME the progress made and the overall developments of the second phase of the ISIS Programme since 1 January 2010;
- ACKNOWLEDGE the substantial progress made in all ISIS Beneficiaries with regard to the transposition of the Single European Sky legislation;
- ACKNOWLEDGE the progress made with regard to the National Supervisory Authorities (NSA) Capacity Building, namely with regard to the development of documentation and procedures;
- UNDERLINE the need to continue with efforts towards the implementation of the Single European Sky legislation;
- ENDORSE the initiation of the implementation pillar of the ISIS Programme, consisting of the assessment of the actual implementation of the SES legislation, and the development of associated technical assistance and recommendations for follow-up activities, as appropriate, in this field;
- RECOGNISE the need to launch at the earliest further activities related to an assessment of the current situation of the ISIS beneficiaries States' airspaces in relation to the obligations stemming from the SES initiative;
- REAFFIRM their commitment to ensure maximum involvement of their administration and to continue to allocate the necessary resources to the implementation of the ISIS Programme, with a view to expediting the implementation of the Single European Sky legislation;
- REAFFIRM their commitment to provide all the necessary information to the ISIS Programme Secretariat (IPS) for the purpose of assessing the implementation of the Single European Sky legislation, as well as with a view to enabling an appropriate planning of the support activities to be carried out by the ISIS Programme and fostering their successful implementation;
- EMPHASISE that the ISIS Programme is the principal support programme for the facilitation of the implementation of the Single European Sky in the region, and that any initiative launched in the field of aviation should ensure the appropriate level of coordination with the ISIS Programme to avoid a duplication of efforts and resources in the ATM domain;
- INVITE the European Commission to consider the possibility of extending the ISIS Programme over a third phase starting in 2013, with a view to supporting ISIS Beneficiaries in the expeditious and effective implementation of the Single European Sky Second Legislative Package and thus enabling significant ATM performance improvements benefiting European airspace users.

The European Commission and the Regional Cooperation Council express their commitment to continue to provide the political framework and the appropriate support to conduct the ISIS Programme.

The participants of the meeting agree to recommend to the competent Ministers to confirm their political support to the continuation of the second phase of the ISIS Programme and to endorse the prospect of extending the ISIS Programme over a third phase starting in 2013.

Adopted in Solin, 7th of September 2011, in a single original in English language,

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