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CAR REGION AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CONTINGENCY PLAN

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Plan Objectives

- i. Provide a contingency response framework for Caribbean States and Territories to ensure the managed continuation of aircraft operations in affected Upper Flight Information Regions (UIRs)/FIRs, including transiting between unaffected FIRs, during contingency events;
- ii. Ensure timely, harmonized and appropriate responses to all events that may cause disruption to the provision of ATS, or in which ATS is involved, and hence to normal aircraft movement; and
- iii. Provide a greater degree of certainty for airspace and aerodrome users during contingency operations.



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RESPONSIBILITIES AND SCOPE

- ✈ Support coordination and information exchange, in cases of contingencies that affect, or may affect, airspaces, airports, communications, and/or air navigation service provision in the CAR Region;
- ✈ Act as a support and coordination entity and exchange reliable and updated information;
- ✈ Monitor and exchange up-to-date relevant information with States/Territories directly concerned, States/Territories which are potential participants in contingency arrangements, and other relevant stakeholders;
- ✈ Discuss with the States, Territories and International Organizations and communicate contingency procedures initiated;
- ✈ Ensure information flow into ICAO and IATA (HQ and Regional Offices focal points);
- ✈ Exchange information with International/Regional Organizations and humanitarian aid agencies;
- ✈ Carry out periodically communication drills and other simulation exercises to rehearse response to contingency scenarios.



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Information expected to be monitored, gathered and shared by the CAR CERT may include, not limited, to the following:

1. Information regarding any situation, condition or phenomena that may threaten the safe and continuous provision of air traffic/air transport services in the CAR Region;
2. Possible and/or actual contingency measures proposed or implemented;
3. Expected impact to operations;
4. Time and date of the beginning of the contingency measures;
5. Contingency routes;
6. Status and services available by neighbouring States/ATS units;
7. Any other details with respect to the disruption and actions being taken that aircraft operators.



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Working Methodology

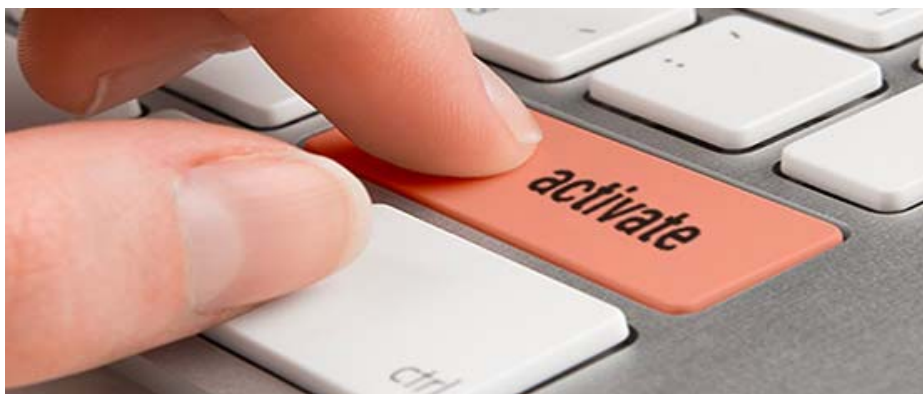
- ✈ Based on compliance with the ICAO SARPs and regional work programs.
 - ✈ Contingency arrangements are vital components for a proper functioning aviation system.
 - ✈ Identification of latent conditions that may arise in contingency scenarios.
- ✈ Permanent communication with States/ATS providers and key stakeholders.
 - ✈ Monitoring different situations and circumstances that may affect the provision of services.
 - ✈ Identify potential solutions as part of ICAO's regular work programme.
- ✈ Follow-up in the drafting and publication of ATM contingency plans.
 - ✈ Ensure harmonization of contingency procedures.
 - ✈ Rehearsing contingency plans and evaluating contingency responses.





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Activation



Communication methods

Once activated, the CAR CERT will use the following for sharing/exchange of information;

- a. e-mail notification;
- b. daily teleconferences; and/or
- c. others suggested by the CAR CERT.



Test communication channels

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