

## INTRODUCTION

### Meeting

1.1 The First Meeting of the Asia/Pacific Regional Search and Rescue Task Force (APSAR/TF/1) was held in Bangkok, Thailand from 5 to 7 February 2013 at the Kotaite Wing of the ICAO Asia and Pacific Regional Office.

### Attendance

2.1 The meeting was attended by 38 participants from Australia, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Hong Kong China, French Polynesia, New Caledonia, Indonesia, Japan, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, United States, Viet Nam, International Maritime Organization (IMO), and ICAO. A list of participants is at **Appendix A** to this report.

### Officers & Secretariat

3.1 Mr. Len Wicks, Regional Officer ATM, ICAO Asia and Pacific Office, was the Secretary for the meeting. He was assisted by Mr. Shane Sumner, Regional Officer ATM, ICAO Asia and Pacific Office.

### Opening of the Meeting

4.1 The meeting was opened by Regional Officer ATM, Mr. Len Wicks. On behalf of Mr. Mokhtar A. Awan, Regional Director of ICAO Asia and Pacific Office, Mr. Len Wicks welcomed all the participants to the meeting.

### Documentation and Working Language

5.1 The working language of the meeting and all documentation was English. 10 Working Papers (WP) and four Information Papers (IP) were considered by the meeting. A list of papers is included at **Appendix B** to this report.

### Draft Conclusions, Draft Decisions and Decisions – Definition

6.1 The APSAR/TF recorded its actions in the form of Draft Conclusions, Draft Decisions and Decisions within the following definitions:

- a) **Draft Conclusions** deal with matters that, according to APANPIRG terms of reference, require the attention of States, or action by the ICAO in accordance with established procedures;
- b) **Draft Decisions** deal with the matters of concern only to APANPIRG and its contributory bodies; and
- c) **Decisions** of APSAR that relate solely to matters dealing with the internal working arrangements of the APSAR/TF.

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