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**IMPLEMENTATION OF REDUCED VERTICAL SEPARATION MINIMA (RVSM)
IN DAR ES SALAAM FIR EFFECTIVE 25TH SEPTEMBER 2008.**

This AIC serves as Notice of intent to implement a permanent RVSM in the Dar es Salaam FIR effective 25 September 2008.

Starting 25 September 2008, only RVSM compliant aircraft will be cleared to operate in the Dar es Salaam FIR between FL290 and FL410 (inclusive). Aircraft that are not RVSM compliant (e.g., ferry and maintenance flights) will only be cleared to operate in the Dar es Salaam FIR between FL 290 and FL410 (inclusive) after prior co-ordination with the Dar es Salaam Area Control Centre. Vertical separation of 2,000 ft will be applied to such aircraft. Area Control Centre contacts will be published on the TCAA website and in a follow-up NOTAM.

RVSM will be implemented in the Dar es Salaam FIR in accordance with ICAO regional agreements. ICAO recommends that State authorities and operators use FAA Interim Guidance 91-RVSM (as amended); Joint Airworthiness Authorities (JAA) Temporary Guidance Leaflet 6 (TGL 6), a harmonized version of the two or equivalent documents be used as the basis for approving aircraft and operator programs for RVSM.

The task of monitoring safety in conjunction with implementation of RVSM and RNAV/RNP in the AFI Region has been assigned to South Africa. Current information and RVSM approval documents, including revisions, can be found on the websites maintained by the FAA, EUROCONTROL, South Atlantic Monitoring Agency (SATMA), Middle East and Central Monitoring Agency (MECMA) and ICAO ESAF and on individual State websites.

To access the FAA, EUROCONTROL, SATMA, MECMA, ICAO ESAF RVSM and ATNS websites respectively, type:

www.faa.gov/ats/ato/rvsm1.htm

www.eur-rvsm.com

www.satmasat.com

www.mecma.com

www.icao.int/esaf

www.atns.co.za

The RVSM Documentation section of the FAA and EUROCONTROL websites contain guidance on aircraft/operator approval. Operators must begin coordination with the Tanzania Civil Aviation Authority (TCAA) as soon as possible to ensure that they are approved to commence RVSM operations on 25 September 2008.

Further information on the aircraft and operator approval process, policy planning and implementation issues for RVSM can be obtained from South Africa (ATNS) hosting the AFI Regional Monitoring Agency.

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