EUROPEAN ORGANISATION FOR THE SAFETY OF AIR NAVIGATION

EUROCONTROL

- Recommendations of the Permanent Commission -

RECOMMENDATION N° 05/6

relating to the Implementation of 8.33 kHz above FL195 in the ICAO EUR region

THE PERMANENT COMMISSION FOR THE SAFETY OF AIR NAVIGATION:

Having regard to the EUROCONTROL International Convention relating to Co-operation for the Safety of Air Navigation, amended by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 12 February 1981, hereinafter referred to as “the amended Convention”, and in particular Articles 2.1(d), 6.1(a) and 7.5 thereof;

Having regard to the Special European Regional Air Navigation meeting (EUR RAN, Vienna September 1994) and in particular § 3.9 “Solution to VHF Congestion in the EUR Region”, Recommendations 3/4, 3/5 and Conclusion 3/6 for the introduction of 8.33 kHz voice channel spacing;

Having regard to the Special Communications / Operations Divisional meeting (SP COM/OPS/95, Montreal 1995) and in particular § 6 “Consideration of improvements in VHF spectrum utilisation”, Recommendation 6/1- Amendment to Annex 10 – 8.33 kHz channel spacing and Recommendations 6/4, 6/5 and 6/6 for the co-ordination and implementation of 8.33 kHz channel spacing;

Having regard to the European (EUR) Regional Supplementary Procedures (ICAO Doc. 7030/4), and in particular § 4.1 “Mandatory carriage of 8.33 kHz channel spacing capable radio equipment” (Amendment 192 – 17 February 1998);

Having regard to the EANPG conclusions 44/40 to 44/44 for the vertical expansion of 8.33 kHz airspace below FL245, December 2002;

Noting the planning and consultation work performed for an 8.33 kHz implementation above FL195 in the ICAO EUR Region;

Noting a revised 8.33 kHz policy for State aircraft is being developed in consultation with the Civil-Military Interface Standing Committee (CMIC).

On the proposal of the Provisional Council,

ISSUES THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:
All Members States in the ICAO EUR Region are urged to support the implementation of 8.33 kHz channel spacing above FL195 with a carriage date of 15 March 2007 and, to that effect, to publish the relevant AICs and to amend their respective regulations before the end of the year 2006.

Member States in the ICAO EUR Region that enforce mandatory carriage above FL245 are further urged to enforce the mandatory carriage of 8.33 kHz radio equipment above FL195 with a carriage date of 15 March 2007 and, to that effect, to publish the relevant AICs and to amend their respective regulations before the end of the year 2006.

Done at Brussels on 12.04.05

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President of the Commission