

SOCIÉTÉ INTERNATIONALE DE TÉLÉCOMMUNICATIONS AÉRONAUTIQUES ("SITA")

REGULAR MEETING OF .AERO SPONSOR

MEETING MINUTES [02.06]

26 OCTOBER 2006

A meeting of .aero Sponsor, SITA, was held on 26 October 2006 in Geneva. The following representatives of the Sponsor were present: Fabiano Chies, Marie Zitkova. The meeting was held imminently following the 9<sup>th</sup> official meeting with the industry advisory body, the Dot Aero Council.

**1) DAC membership**

- a) Noted that Mr. Sainarayan Ananthanarayan became the new ICAO representative with DAC.

**2) .aero domain name registrations and registrars**

- a) Noted that implementation of Pending Create functionality has been successful.
- b) Noted that SITA is currently looking to attract more registrars from Asia, as a growing market.
- c) Agreed SITA to provide DAC members with a breakdown of registrations by region.

**3) Renewal of .aero agreement with ICANN**

- a) Noted that most of the changes, currently taking place in ICANN, are not relevant to .aero, however, they are influencing .aero.
- b) Agreed SITA to schedule a conference call to update DAC members on the outcome of the ICANN contract renewal

**4) Registration of names corresponding to airport codes by non-airport entities**

- a) Noted that there has been an increasing number of received requests for registration of various 3-letter airport codes.
- b) Decided a voluntary working group to be created, which to review the policy of reserving names.
- c) Agreed SITA to draft terms of reference for this working group.
- d) Agreed SITA to provide a list of all codes already reserved and to come up with a proposal for policy update.

**5) Policy updates**

- a) Noted that the registrant group Air sports overlaps with the registrant group Recreational aviation.
- b) Decided the two registrant groups "Air sports" and "Recreational aviation" to be merged in one registrant group called "Air sports and recreational aviation".
- c) Noted that in some countries pilot activities should not be seen only on a commercial basis.
- d) Decided SITA to adopt the proposed definitions of the registrant groups "Pilots" and "Aerial works".

**6) Update description of registrant group of “Air sports” to allow registrations by members of virtual aviation**

- a) Noted that there is a lot of educational benefits for real aviation in the virtual aviation and therefore the eligibility criteria would be hard to establish.
- b) Decided the eligibility criteria to remain unchanged.
- c) Agreed FAI to contact virtual aviation organizations and come back to SITA with update and feedback.