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### 1.0 GENERAL

Section 31 (3) of the Civil Aviation gives the powers to the Director General, Eswatini Civil Aviation Authority (ESWACAA) to make and amend general or special rules and procedures pursuant to and in accordance with the provision of the Act. Sections 34 (a) and (c) of the Civil Aviation Act further requires the Director General to provide for the publication of documents issued under the act in such form and manner as may be best adapted for public information and use, and technical guidance document.

Advisory Circulars are issued and published under the Authority of the Director General, pursuant to sections 34 (a) and (c) of the Civil Aviation Act, to provide guidance for compliance with Eswatini standards. They define an acceptable means, but not the only means, of accomplishing or showing compliance with Eswatini Standards.

### 2.0 PURPOSE

This Advisory Circular (AC) provides information about the AIS/MAP contingency plans that need to be implemented by the AIS/MAP service provider.

### 3.0 REFERENCES

Civil Aviation (Air Navigation Service) Regulations 2013.

## RECORD OF AMENDMENTS

All amendments to this AC shall contain the authorisation of ESWACAA

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#### 4.0 BACKGROUND

Contingency plans are intended to provide alternative facilities and services to those provided for in the air navigation plan when those facilities and services are temporarily not available. Contingency arrangements are therefore temporary in nature, remain in effect only until the services and facilities of the plan are re-activated.

#### 5.0 GUIDANCE AND PROCEDURES

An AIS/MAP service provider shall develop and maintain contingency plans for implementation in the event of disruption or potential disruption, of Aeronautical Information services/MAP within the area of jurisdiction. The plan shall include:-

- a) The actions to be taken by the service provider's personnel responsible for providing the service
- b) Possible alternative arrangements for providing the service; and
- c) The arrangements for resuming normal operations for the service

#### 5.1 AIS/MAP Service disruptions

- a) Each AIS/MAP service provider shall establish procedures, in addition to requirements in regulation 23 of the Civil Aviation (Air Navigation Service) Regulations 2013 to;
  - i) advise the Authority of any planned disruption to the provision of Aeronautical Information services/MAP that could have an impact on safety; and
  - ii) investigate any unplanned disruption to the provision AIS/MAP and
  - iii) report to the Authority, within 48 hours of the occurrence, the circumstances surrounding any unplanned disruption to AIS/MAP Services when the disruption affected, or could have affected, the safety of air traffic.
- b) Disruptions reportable under paragraph (a) shall include, but are not limited to, any:-
  - i) Aeronautical Information Management system; and
  - ii) any interruption to the normal provision of Aeronautical Information services/MAP; and
  - iii) curtailment of watch, by greater than 30 minutes, from the promulgated off watch time.

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