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AIR NAVIGATION SERVICES

GENERAL

**ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AERONAUTICAL SEARCH & RESCUE (ASAR)
SERVICE AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

General

1. An Aeronautical Search and Rescue service organisation to be known as Search and Rescue St. Helena (SARSH) is currently been implemented by the St Helena Civil Aviation Authorities in response to International expectations and the relevant ICAO SARPS associated with the introduction of air services to and from the International Aerodrome under construction. The SARSH is expected to become operational early in 2016.
2. This service will complement the required emergency response services implemented within the environs (10km) of and directly related to the International Aerodrome. (FHS) .
3. St Helena is extremely remote and falls within the Angolan delegated Oceanic/Flight Information Region (FIR) and Aeronautical Search and Rescue Region , consequently agreements have been reached whereby a Permanent Rescue Sub Centre will be established on St Helena by November 2015 with the responsibility of providing ASAR Co-ordinating services within a permanently defined circular Sub Search and Rescue Region of 12 nautical mile (nm) radius around the Island, centred on; 15° 57' 32.63" S 005° 38' 45.31" W.

4. Close co-operation and collaboration with the Maritime SAR entities as envisaged in the IAMSAR manuals and the Rescue Co-ordination Centre in Luanda shall be implemented in accordance with agreements and consequently, the results will form the basis for the St Helena ASAR Services Standard Operating Procedure.
5. Whilst the details will be published via the St Helena Integrated Aeronautical Information Package (IAIP), users are in the meantime, hereby informed of the implementation intention and progress and invited to comment and provide advice, information or support for this programme by e-correspondence to The St. Helena Government via;

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