# Meeting Notes from VATSIM Executive Committee April 24, 2004 - 2100 UTC

## Attending

Terry Scanlan, VATOCE1 – Oceania Region Director - Executive Committee Chairman
Chris McCarthy, VATNA1 – North America Region Director
Roland Collins, VATSIM23 – Africa.& Middle East. Region representative, also as VATSIM - VP Regions, EC Liaison

## Apologies
Bill Reynolds

**Executive Committee (EC) Meeting started at 21:00 UTC**

**AGENDA**:

1. Code 7600 - where to from here
2. Global Policy on Region Transfers
3. Regional Director vacancies
4. Region reports
5. Other business

The required quorum was not present and the meeting proceeded on an informal discussion basis in the hope that a quorum might be formed later.

Chris McCarthy advised that he would have to leave at 2130 and gave his full proxy vote to Terry Scanlan, to take effect should any formal vote eventuate after Chris's departure.

**AGENDA ITEM - Code 7600 - where to from here?**

Those present discussed the 1st item on the agenda, Code 7600, and each reported that there had been no further issue or discussion within their own region.

Terry Scanlan asked Roland Collins BOG/EC – Liaison if he could provide more insight to BOG's rejection of the EC request, and assist EC in determining a suitable course of action.

Referring to the BOG letter dated 27th March 2004 Roland Collins outlined how the EC proposal, whilst being a responsible approach, did not address BOG concern that any

uncontrolled or unannounced use could result in misuse of Code 7600. Roland further explained that BOG required the use of Code 7600 be brought into compliance with other emergencies before they would consider reviewing it again. This would necessitate that an ATC *agree beforehand* to allow a pilot to simulate RDOF, and as such would not facilitate the kind of ATC assessment and testing usage that had been proposed by EC members at the January meeting.

Those present had no further comment or question, and agreed that others wishing to add comment should do so via email after the meeting.


## AGENDA ITEM – Global Policy on Region Transfers

Those present discussed the 2nd draft of the proposed Global Policy on Region Transfers that was distributed by Terry Scanlan on 7th April 2004. Terry Scanlan pointed out that the changes from the 1st draft had been carried out in order to ensure that the policy adequately catered for local endorsements such as voice etc, placed proper emphasis on the rights of a transferee, as well as encompassing 'visiting 'controllers.

Chris McCarthy expressed a view that the 2nd draft document fully embraced all of the earlier points raised in relation to this matter, and he therefore fully supported it's adoption as a VATSIM EC Global Policy. Terry Scanlan and Roland Collins agreed with Chris McCarthy and it was decided that this matter would be put up for email vote at the conclusion of the meeting.


## Point of Order

At 2140 Chris McCarthy advised that he had to leave the meeting.

The Chairman decided that in view of only two members remaining he would close the meeting and it would continue via email in order to facilitate incomplete discussion and conduct any formal voting.


## Action:
The Chairman to distribute a copy of the agenda, together with the minutes, in order to allow unfinished business to be concluded via email discussion and voting.


**The meeting adjourned at 2145 UTC on April 24th 2004.**