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The 7th NEFAB Council meeting, held in Helsinki May 21, 2015

The Council discussed the NEFAB annual report for the year 2014, the NEFAB Strategy Implementation Plan and the preparations for the North European Free Route Airspace to be implemented in November 2015.

The Council meeting was attended by representatives from the Ministries of Transport from the four participating States and Ministries of Defence from Finland and Norway. The Chairs of NEFAB Committees and representative of the air navigation service providers also took part in the meeting.

The Council discussed the NEFAB annual report for the year 2014. The main topic of the meeting was the NEFAB Strategy Implementation Plan. The perspective of the strategy is long term. The purpose of the Implementation Plan is to list concrete actions towards the goals set on the Strategy. The plan includes also the responsible bodies for implementing the actions. The Council addressed the Implementation Plan and encouraged the Financial and Performance Committee to continue the work. Additional input is expected from the Committees. Also the NEFAB Air Navigation Services Consultative Board will be involved. The Council considered that it will be useful to organise a workshop together with the ANSP CEO Board about ideas of the future development of the NEFAB cooperation.

The cooperation with neighbours was another key issue at the meeting. The ministerial network of the DK-SE FAB and NEFAB will meet in June 2015 in Helsinki. The Council was assured that the North European Free Route Airspace NEFRA will be implemented in November 2015 as stated in the ministerial declaration.

Borealis cooperation between NEFAB, DK-SE FAB, UK-Ireland FAB and Iceland was also addressed in the meeting. The Council welcomed the expansion of the Free Route Airspace project which highly supports the aims of the Single European Sky.

The next meeting of the NEFAB Council is tentatively scheduled for November 2015.

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