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An Outline of 10th Japan-Korea ATC Operation Working Group Meeting

~ Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSPs) of Japan and Korea discussed Air Traffic Control (ATC) Operational improvements ~

The 10th Japan-Korea ATC Operation Working Group Meeting was held in Seoul, Korea between Wednesday, 15 July and Friday, 17 July 2015.

The Japan-Korea ATC Operation Working Group meets annually to discuss improvements of ATC operations between the two countries. This was the 10th meeting of the Working Group which met for the first time in 2005 in Korea. Seven members from JCAB ATC Division, Air Traffic Management Center, Tokyo Area Control Center (ACC) and Fukuoka ACC attended the meeting on the Japanese side, headed by Director Imagome of JCAB ATC Division.

The agenda included an optimization of international air traffic flow in East Asia, the reduction of flight route distance and aircraft separation, as well as an improvement of ATC system interface between ACCs of the two countries.

As the results, the two ANSPs agreed to bilaterally enhance information sharing and find solutions to mitigate departure delays of Japan – China flights, in addition to the existing Japan – Korea –China tripartite framework. The two ANSPs also agreed to further collaborate for preparation of the new Korean ACC and Air Traffic Flow Management Center scheduled to be established in 2017.

The next Japan-Korea ATC Operation Working Group meeting will be held in Japan next year.

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