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- Questions – My job is to talk about what you want or need to hear.
 - If there is something on your mind, then ask now
 - As you think of questions then please ask.

If no questions, then I will talk the full time 😊



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- IAMSAR Manual – 2022 edition is in effect
- Available in paper hard copy OR electronic pdf format
 - Do you prefer paper or electronic format
 - Electronic is great for word searching but I found it unfriendly for other uses – Your view for when we procure the 2025 edition.
- Advice on revising text in 2022 edition, content in 2025? **Impact on USCG Addendum**



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- Regional meetings
 - Asia/Pacific SAR Working Group meeting 22-25 May 2023. USCG teaming up with Australia and Singapore
 - ICAO North America, Central America and Caribbean SAR Task Force meeting 6-8 June in Mexico City [Eddian/ICAO and Calvin/COCESNA]
- Both working groups focused on regional SAR plan and improving SAR capacity/capability.



ICAO/IMO Joint Working Group

- 6-10 November 2023 in Cape Town, South Africa
- Topics include:
 - Update on Global Aeronautical Distress and Safety System [See Edwards 'ADT Cheat Sheet']
 - Entry into a State's territory for SAR
 - Iridium distress message and associated text
- Your ideas for discussion and IAMSAR Manual



Odds and Ends

- ICAO and IMO establishing a sub-regional office in Fiji. U.S. is not the only entity engaging more in the Indo-Pacific/Oceania
- Non-traditional satellite two-way communications – more on Thursday
 - International meetings May, June and Nov 2023
 - European optional capability on the 406 distress beacon (EPIRB and PLB).
 - iPhone 14 and Android texting outside of cellular or Wi-Fi coverage



Autonomous Distress Tracking (ADT)

- ADT device named the ELT(DT) discussed on Tuesday.
- Please refer to “Edwards Cheat Sheet”
 - ADT Overview
 - North Atlantic Exercise
 - Draft ICAO Document with RCC procedures



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