
**A Suggested Approach for
Producing VAMS
Air Transportation System
Technology Roadmaps**

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Overview

- VAMS Project Formulation Agreement Deliverable #3 requires the production of technology roadmaps to guide research
 - Producing this deliverable is the responsibility of the System Level Integrated Concepts (SLIC) sub-element lead by Rob Fong (rkfong@mail.arc.nasa.gov)
- Technical Approach
 - Use concept work to produce their own examples of technology roadmaps
 - Use system engineering work to produce an integrated catalogue of technology roadmaps along with technical discussions
 - The Top-level WBS steps are
 - 3.1 Top-level Technology and Operational Needs
 - 3.2 Top-level Technology Gaps
 - 3.3 Approach to Obtaining Transition Technologies
 - 3.4 Transitional Technologies - Round 2
 - 3.5 Integrated Roadmap: Top-down and bottom-up

VAMS Project Policy

- Every concept that is nurtured within the VAMS Project will need to develop an ATS Technology Roadmap for that concept
- Those concept specific roadmaps will be:
 - Updated annually
 - Discussed at all technical interchange meetings
 - Shared amongst all VAMS participants
 - Maintained by their producer
 - Available electronically in a widely used format (MAC and PC)
- Concepts should follow the format described herein, suggest modifications, or independently develop an equally descriptive approach with examples
- As they are completed the ATS Technology Roadmaps will be:
 - Collected into a catalogue,
 - Integrated with each other into different topical sets
 - Linked to AvSTAR, the OEP and NASA's long term ATS strategy
 - Accompanied by technical discussions and research recommendations
 - An integration point for the University efforts (Dr. Zellweger team and others)

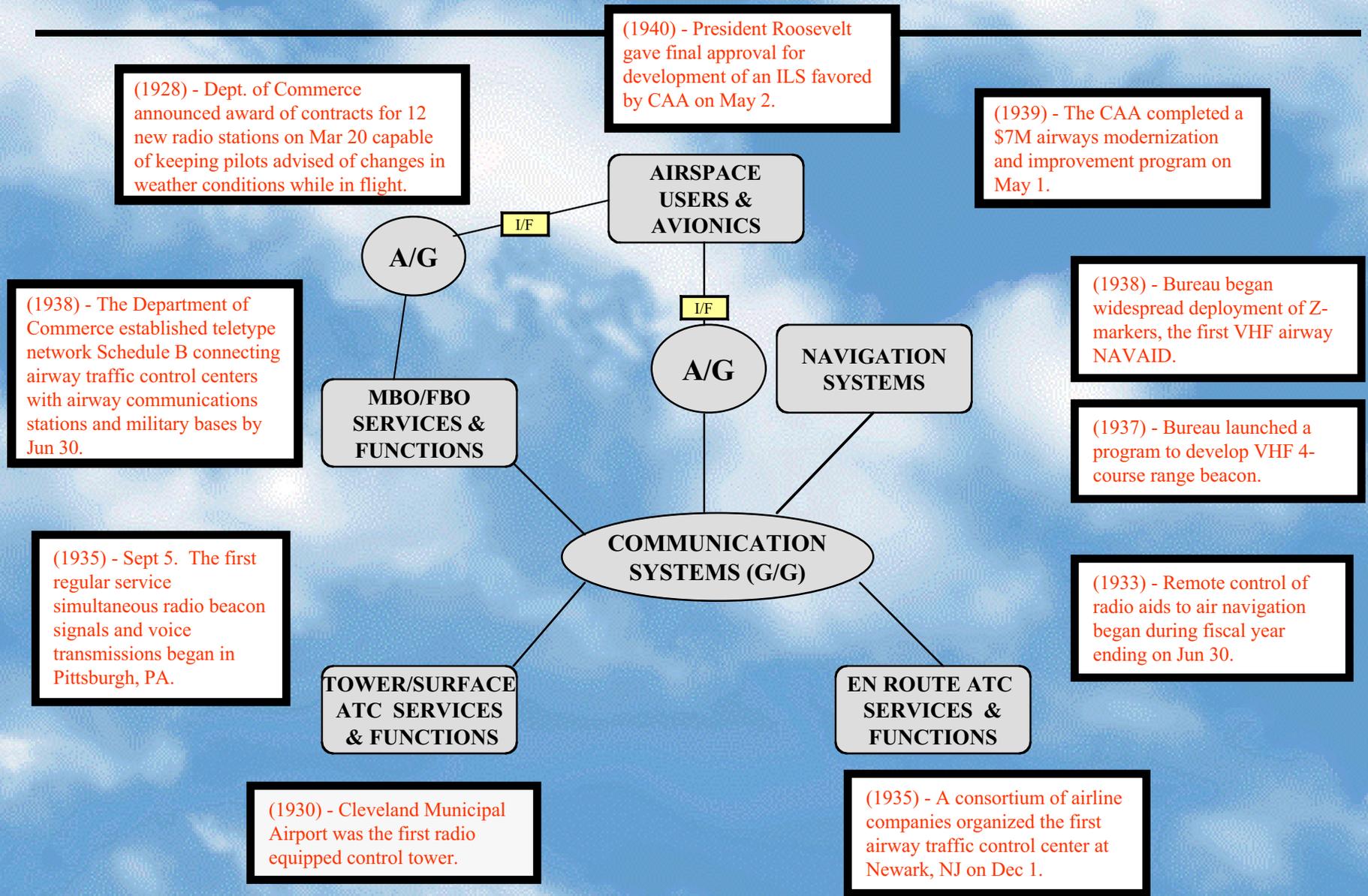
Technology Roadmap Framework

- Suggested Starting Framework (AATT's Task Order 40 - SAIC)
 - ATM model
 - Existing examples
 - 1940 (in backup)
 - 1950 (in backup)
 - 1960
 - 1970
 - 1980
 - 1990
 - 1999 (in backup)
 - Need to be created
 - 2002 (today)
 - 2006 (near-term)
 - 2010 (FAA OEP Horizon)
 - 2015 (Medium term Vision Horizon)
 - 2020 (Longer term NASA Vision Horizon)
 - 2025 (Longer term Stakeholder Vision Horizon)

Technology Roadmap Characteristics

- Characteristics
 - Using the ATS model show a specific technologies time (from concept to market availability)
 - Discuss the science understanding
 - Discuss the performance needs/requirements
 - Indicate if any alternative approaches exist
 - Identify Technology pathways
 - Identify Gaps
 - Tradeoff pathway groupings
 - Risks
 - Technical
 - Political
 - Legal/Certification
 - Critical challenges for which solutions are needed and must be accomplished
 - Costs (by Phase)
 - Scenarios to demonstrate features or aspects
 - Supporting documentation

ATM ARCHITECTURE - 1940 (BASELINE)

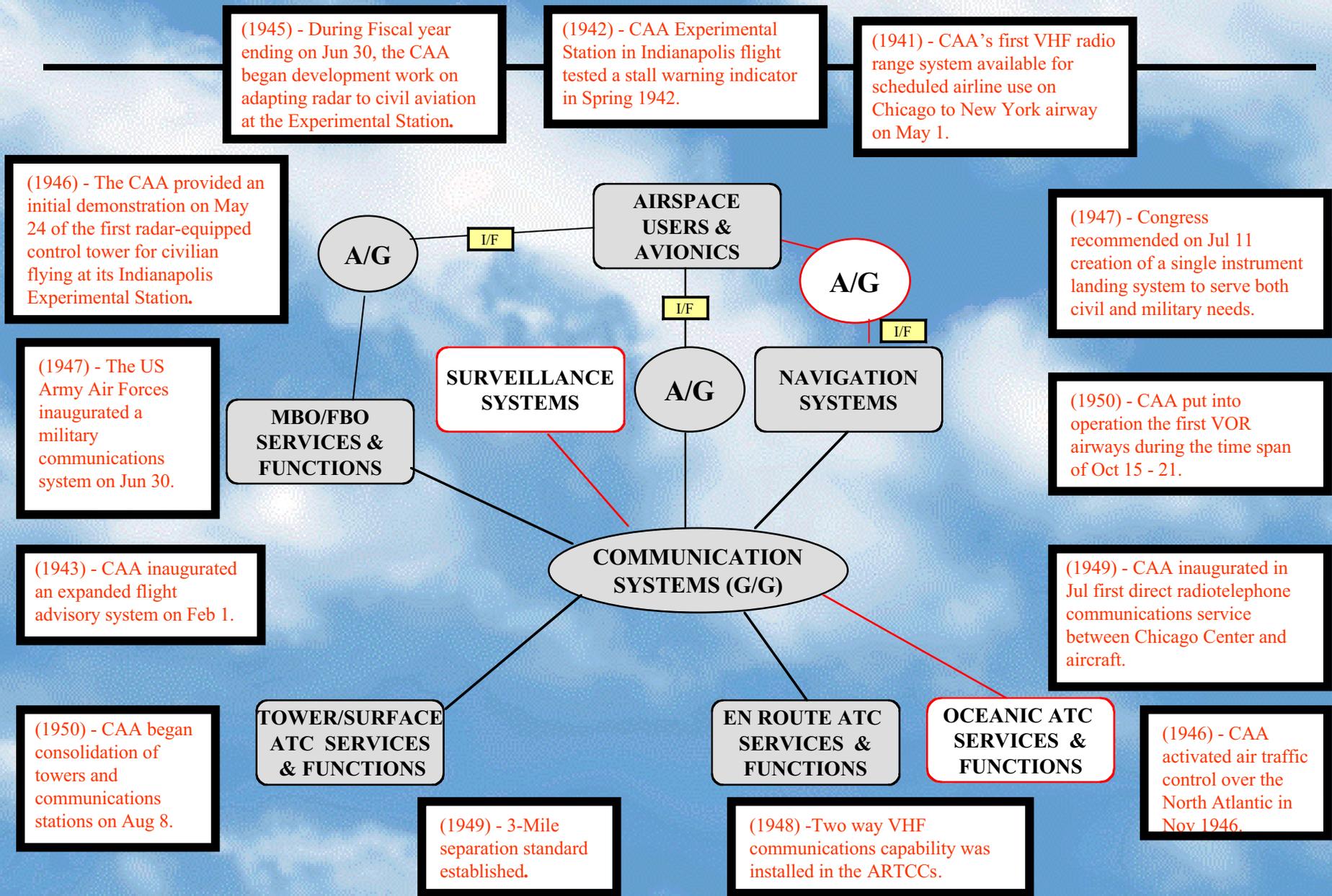


Services Description

Architecture 1950

1926-1940 Trends

ATM ARCHITECTURE - 1950



(1945) - During Fiscal year ending on Jun 30, the CAA began development work on adapting radar to civil aviation at the Experimental Station.

(1942) - CAA Experimental Station in Indianapolis flight tested a stall warning indicator in Spring 1942.

(1941) - CAA's first VHF radio range system available for scheduled airline use on Chicago to New York airway on May 1.

(1946) - The CAA provided an initial demonstration on May 24 of the first radar-equipped control tower for civilian flying at its Indianapolis Experimental Station.

(1947) - Congress recommended on Jul 11 creation of a single instrument landing system to serve both civil and military needs.

(1947) - The US Army Air Forces inaugurated a military communications system on Jun 30.

(1950) - CAA put into operation the first VOR airways during the time span of Oct 15 - 21.

(1943) - CAA inaugurated an expanded flight advisory system on Feb 1.

(1949) - CAA inaugurated in Jul first direct radiotelephone communications service between Chicago Center and aircraft.

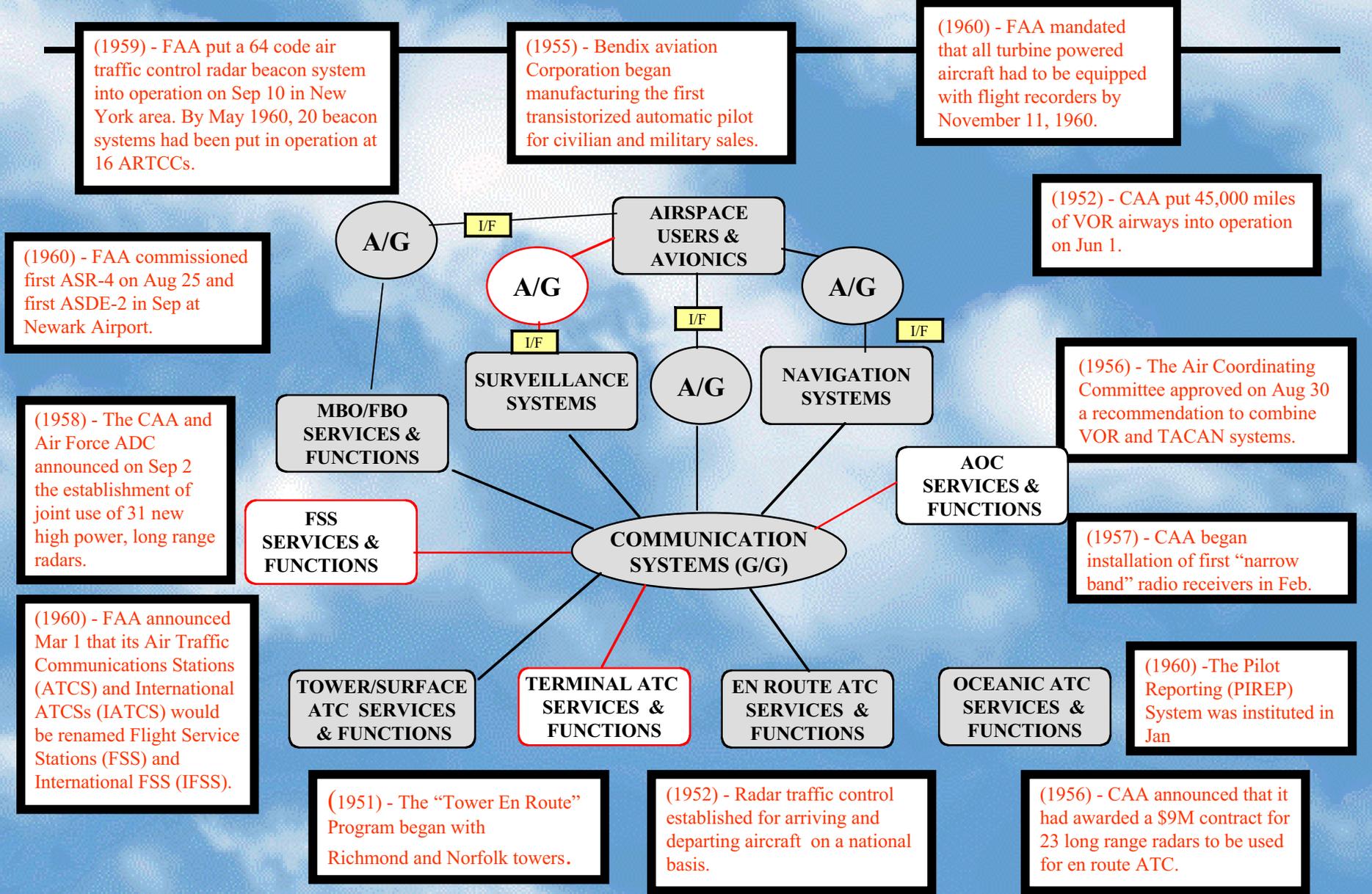
(1950) - CAA began consolidation of towers and communications stations on Aug 8.

(1946) - CAA activated air traffic control over the North Atlantic in Nov 1946.

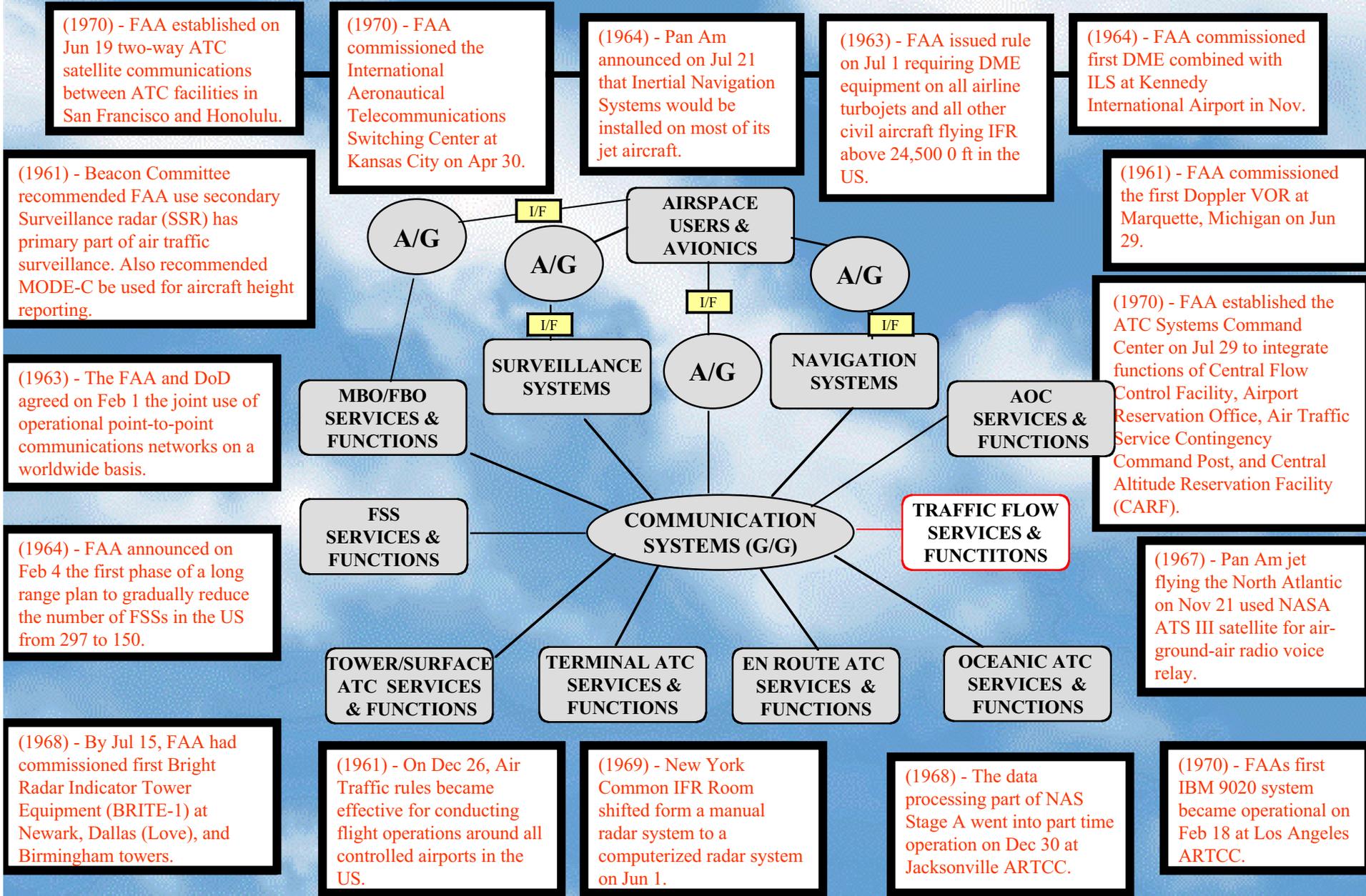
(1949) - 3-Mile separation standard established.

(1948) - Two way VHF communications capability was installed in the ARTCCs.

ATM ARCHITECTURE - 1960



ATM ARCHITECTURE - 1970



(1970) - FAA established on Jun 19 two-way ATC satellite communications between ATC facilities in San Francisco and Honolulu.

(1970) - FAA commissioned the International Aeronautical Telecommunications Switching Center at Kansas City on Apr 30.

(1964) - Pan Am announced on Jul 21 that Inertial Navigation Systems would be installed on most of its jet aircraft.

(1963) - FAA issued rule on Jul 1 requiring DME equipment on all airline turbojets and all other civil aircraft flying IFR above 24,500 ft in the US.

(1964) - FAA commissioned first DME combined with ILS at Kennedy International Airport in Nov.

(1961) - Beacon Committee recommended FAA use secondary Surveillance radar (SSR) has primary part of air traffic surveillance. Also recommended MODE-C be used for aircraft height reporting.

(1961) - FAA commissioned the first Doppler VOR at Marquette, Michigan on Jun 29.

(1963) - The FAA and DoD agreed on Feb 1 the joint use of operational point-to-point communications networks on a worldwide basis.

(1970) - FAA established the ATC Systems Command Center on Jul 29 to integrate functions of Central Flow Control Facility, Airport Reservation Office, Air Traffic Service Contingency Command Post, and Central Altitude Reservation Facility (CARF).

(1964) - FAA announced on Feb 4 the first phase of a long range plan to gradually reduce the number of FSSs in the US from 297 to 150.

(1967) - Pan Am jet flying the North Atlantic on Nov 21 used NASA ATS III satellite for air-ground-air radio voice relay.

(1968) - By Jul 15, FAA had commissioned first Bright Radar Indicator Tower Equipment (BRITE-1) at Newark, Dallas (Love), and Birmingham towers.

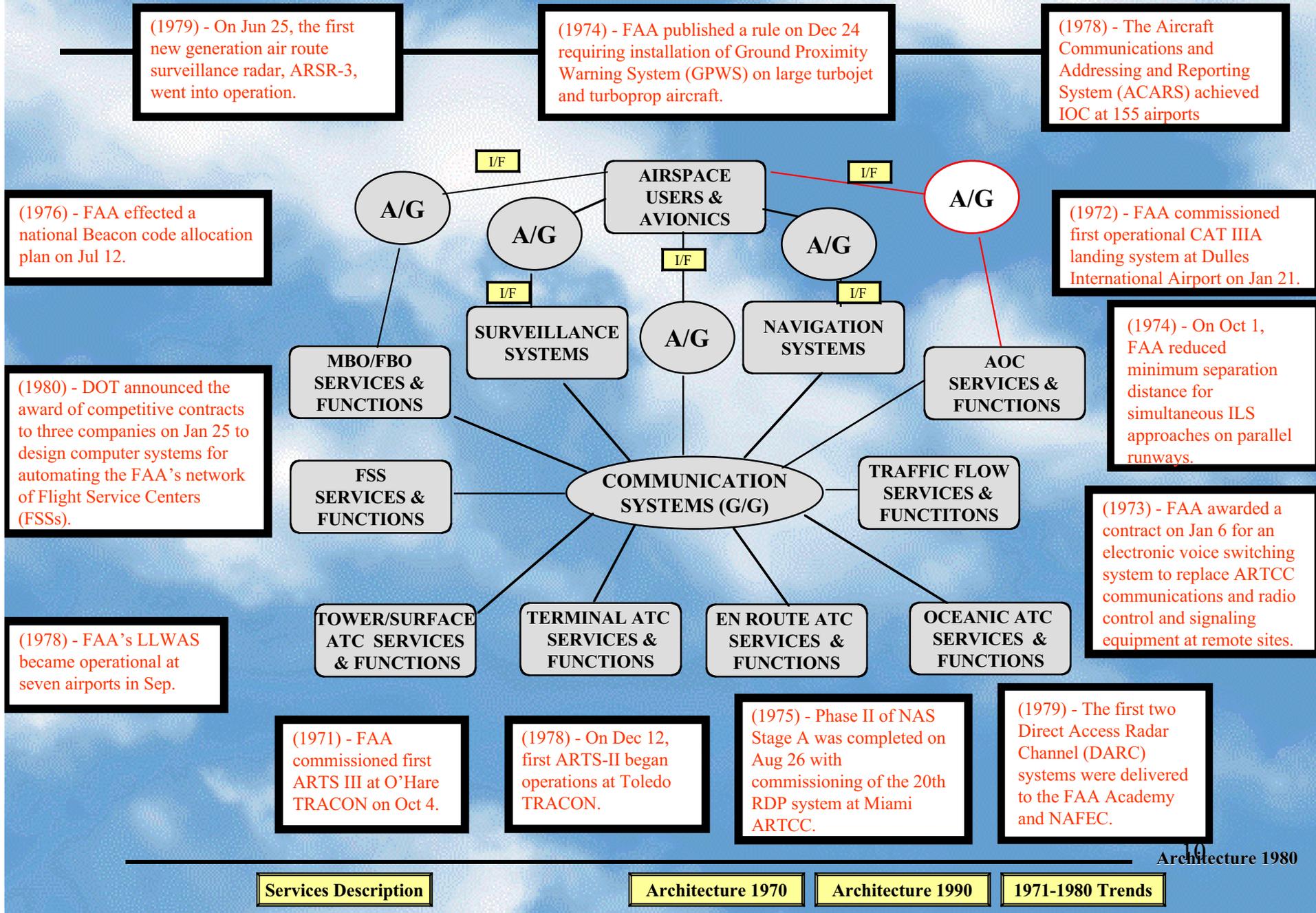
(1961) - On Dec 26, Air Traffic rules became effective for conducting flight operations around all controlled airports in the US.

(1969) - New York Common IFR Room shifted from a manual radar system to a computerized radar system on Jun 1.

(1968) - The data processing part of NAS Stage A went into part time operation on Dec 30 at Jacksonville ARTCC.

(1970) - FAA's first IBM 9020 system became operational on Feb 18 at Los Angeles ARTCC.

ATM ARCHITECTURE - 1980



(1979) - On Jun 25, the first new generation air route surveillance radar, ARSR-3, went into operation.

(1974) - FAA published a rule on Dec 24 requiring installation of Ground Proximity Warning System (GPWS) on large turbojet and turboprop aircraft.

(1978) - The Aircraft Communications and Addressing and Reporting System (ACARS) achieved IOC at 155 airports

(1976) - FAA effected a national Beacon code allocation plan on Jul 12.

(1972) - FAA commissioned first operational CAT IIIA landing system at Dulles International Airport on Jan 21.

(1980) - DOT announced the award of competitive contracts to three companies on Jan 25 to design computer systems for automating the FAA's network of Flight Service Centers (FSSs).

(1974) - On Oct 1, FAA reduced minimum separation distance for simultaneous ILS approaches on parallel runways.

(1978) - FAA's LLWAS became operational at seven airports in Sep.

(1973) - FAA awarded a contract on Jan 6 for an electronic voice switching system to replace ARTCC communications and radio control and signaling equipment at remote sites.

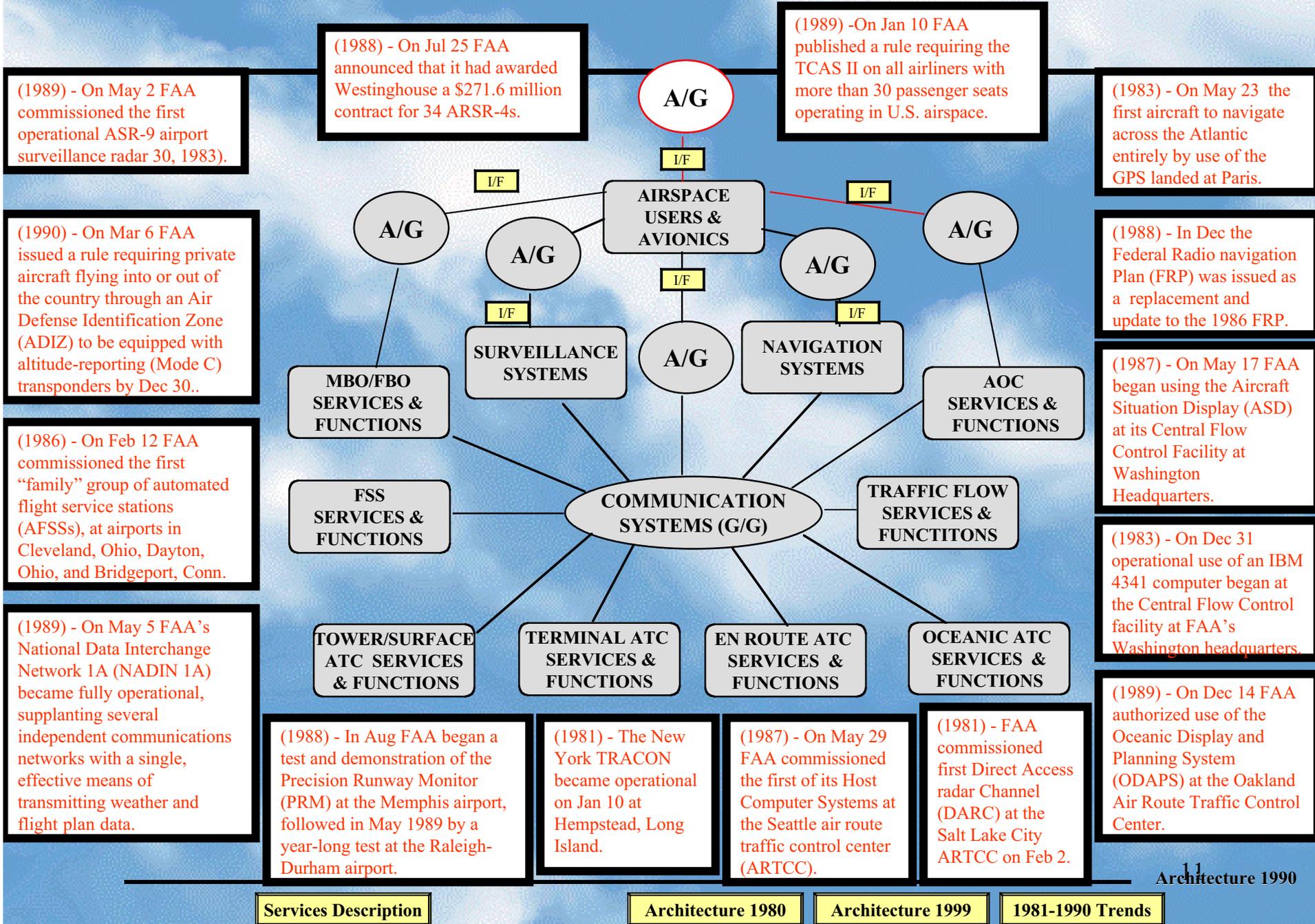
(1971) - FAA commissioned first ARTS III at O'Hare TRACON on Oct 4.

(1978) - On Dec 12, first ARTS-II began operations at Toledo TRACON.

(1975) - Phase II of NAS Stage A was completed on Aug 26 with commissioning of the 20th RDP system at Miami ARTCC.

(1979) - The first two Direct Access Radar Channel (DARC) systems were delivered to the FAA Academy and NAFEC.

ATM ARCHITECTURE - 1990



ATM ARCHITECTURE - 1999

(1997) - The FAA made an investment decision on Aug 12 to procure ATC Beacon Interrogator Replacements, ATCBI-R(6).

(1999) - Apr 9. Raytheon completed the Stability Build milestone in the WAAS program by operating continuously for 72 hours.

(1992) - On Jul 30 FAA excluded general aviation aircraft from the rule that all transponders installed after Jul 1, 1992, be Mode S transponders.

(1992) - On Dec 10 FAA released a technical standard order prescribing standards for airborne supplemental navigation equipment using GPS.

(1994) On Mar 8 FAA commissioned its first monopulse beacon radar by upgrading the Mode S sensor at the same airport.

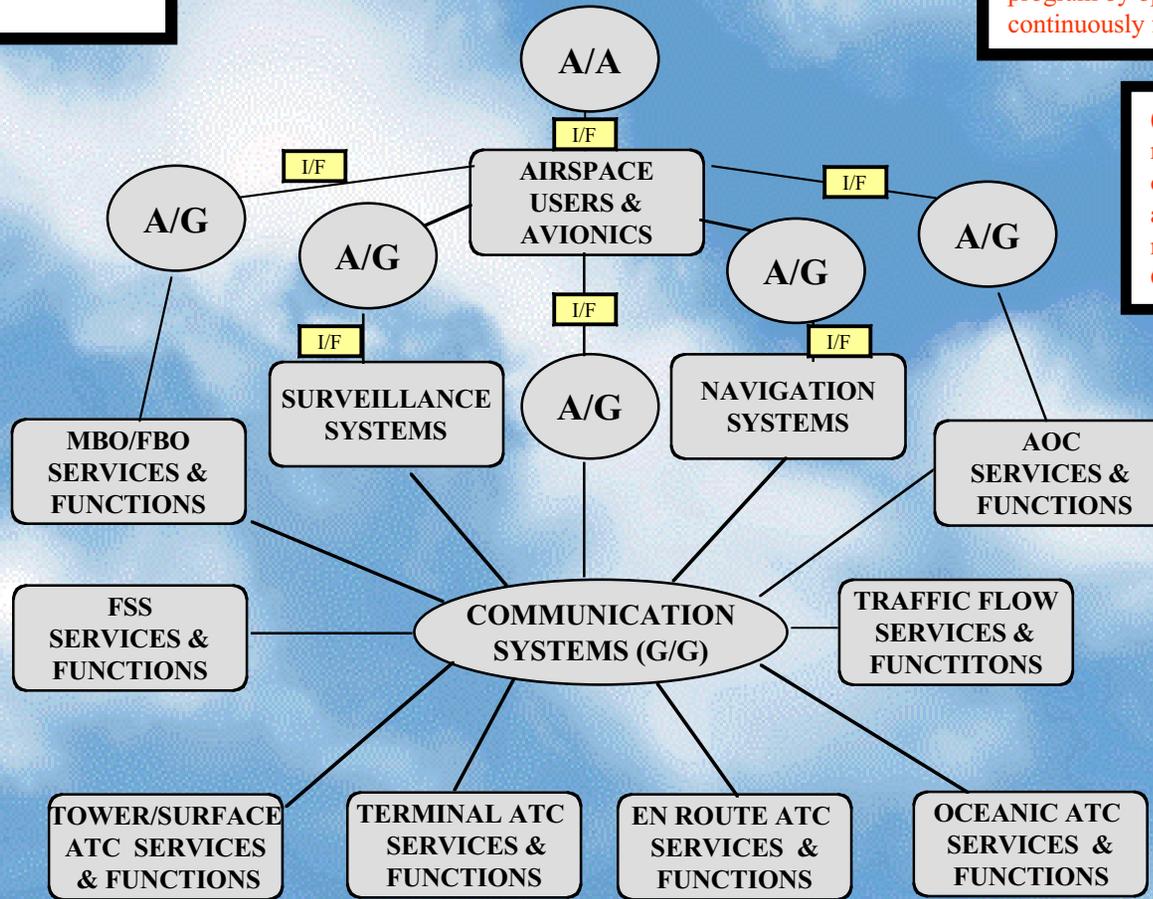
(1998) - The FAA, DOT and Coast Guard announced in Jul that they would continue LORAN-C to 2008 rather than 2000.

(1997) - The FAA awarded a contract in Sep to the Harris corporation to replace the present FSS Automation System.

(1994) - On Apr 15 FAA's Air Traffic Control System Command Center (ATCSCC) officially began operations in its new facility at Herndon, VA.

(1993) - On Nov 2 FAA dedicated the new Leased Interfacility National Airspace Communications (LINCS) telecommunications system following an initial installation that took about nine months.

(1998) - The FAA announced in Nov that it was investigating an approach to provide Oceanic Automation Systems from existing systems deployed Internationally.



(1996) - On Jun 27 FAA signed a contract with Northrup Grumman Systems for three full-scale development versions of the Airport Movement Area Safety System (AMASS).

(1998) - The FAA Common ARTS system reached IOC at the Chicago Metroplex on Aug 28.

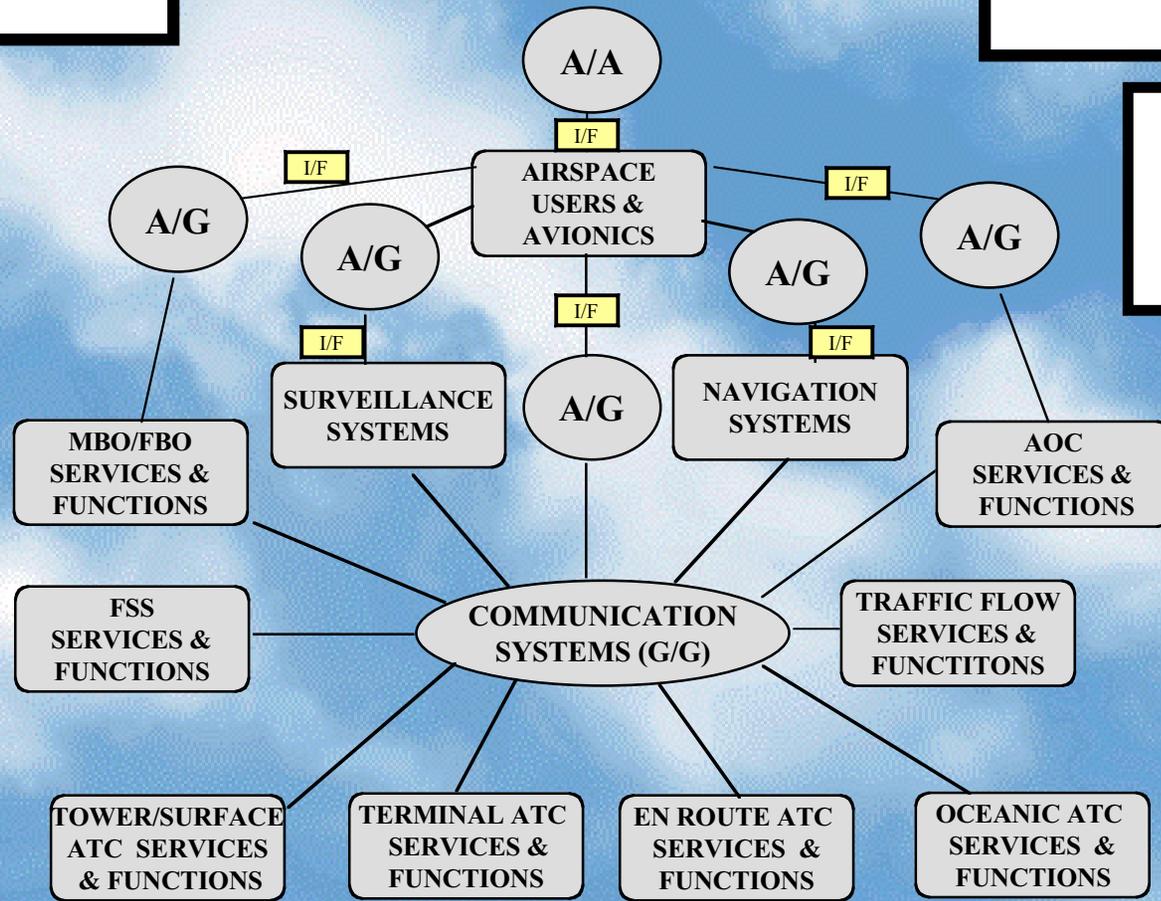
(1998) - The FAA on Dec 15 declared the Display System Replacement (DSR) fully operational at the Seattle ARTCC.

Services Description

Architecture 1990

1990-1999 Trends

ATM ARCHITECTURE - 2010



Services Description

Architecture 2002

2002-2010 Trends

