



Conflict Zone Information Bulletin

CZIB No.: 2017-03R3

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Subject: Airspace of Syria

Revision / Cancellation:

This CZIB is revised to extend the validity period, and to amend reference publications. The original issue of this CZIB replaced and cancelled EASA SIB 2014-25R1 dated 07 April 2016.

Reference Publications(s):

- United Kingdom NOTAM AIP 1.4.5 issued 12 June 2015 (see Appendix 1 of this CZIB).
- United States Federal Aviation Administration KICZ NOTAM A0001/18 issued 14 February 2018 and NOTAM A0009/18 issued 14 April 2018 (see Appendix 2).
- AIC France Circular 15/18 issued 10 May 2018 (see Appendix 3).
- Germany NOTAM B1366/18 issued 04 October 2018 (see Appendix 4).

Affected Airspace:

Syrian airspace, all altitudes.

Applicability:

This CZIB applies to operators.

Description:

This CZIB is issued on the basis of information available to EU Member States and EU institutions. Due to the hazardous security situation, with the presence of terrorist organisations and ongoing high intensity military operations, there is a risk of both intentional targeting and misidentification of civil aircraft. The presence of a wide range of ground-to-ground and dedicated anti-aviation weaponry poses a HIGH risk to operations at all flight altitudes.

Recommendation(s):

Operators should take this information and any other relevant information into account in their own risk assessments, alongside any available guidance or directions from their national authority as appropriate.

Latest operational information on 'Closures and warnings' issued by means of ICAO State Letters, NOTAMs, AICs/AIPs, EASA CZIB may be found in the [Network Manager NOP Portal](#) (password protected version).

Validity:

This CZIB is valid until 18 April 2019.

This is information only. Recommendations are not mandatory.



Contact(s):

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Appendix 1

Source: [United Kingdom NOTAM AIP 1.4.5](#)
[United Kingdom Aeronautical Information Service](#)

HAZARDOUS SITUATION IN SYRIA
POTENTIAL RISK TO AVIATION OVERFLYING FROM DEDICATED
ANTI-AIRCRAFT WEAPONRY.
IN ACCORDANCE WITH DIRECTION UNDER THE AVIATION SECURITY
ACT 1982, UK REGISTERED OPERATORS SO SERVED SHALL NOT ENTER
THE TERRITORY AND AIRSPACE (INCLUDING DAMASCUS FIR) OF THE
SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC.
UK OPERATORS NOT CURRENTLY SUBJECT TO DIRECTION UNDER THE
AVIATION SECURITY ACT SHOULD CONTACT UK DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT
BEFORE OPERATING IN THIS AREA.

CONTACT UK DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT +44 (0)207-944 4426
OR +44 (0)207-944 5999 OUT OF HOURS.

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Appendix 2

Source: United States Federal Aviation Administration [KICZ NOTAM A0001/18](#) and [KICZ NOTAM A0009/18](#)

KICZ A0001/18 - SECURITY.. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FLIGHT PROHIBITION AGAINST CERTAIN FLIGHTS WITHIN THE DAMASCUS (OSTT) FLIGHT INFORMATION REGION (FIR)
14 CFR 91.1609 SPECIAL FEDERAL AVIATION REGULATION (SFAR) NO. 114— PROHIBITION AGAINST CERTAIN FLIGHTS WITHIN THE DAMASCUS (OSTT) FIR IS PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS PROVIDED AT:

https://www.faa.gov/AIR_TRAFFIC/PUBLICATIONS/US_RESTRICTIONS/

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KICZ A0009/18 - SECURITY..UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ADVISORY FOR AIRSPACE IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO DAMASCUS FLIGHT INFORMATION REGION (OSTT FIR)
THOSE PERSONS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH A BELOW ARE ADVISED TO EXERCISE CAUTION WHEN OPERATING IN THE AIRSPACE WITHIN 200 NAUTICAL MILES OF THE DAMASCUS FLIGHT INFORMATION REGION (OSTT FIR) DUE TO HEIGHTENED MILITARY ACTIVITY IN OR AROUND SYRIA. THIS MILITARY ACTIVITY MIGHT INCLUDE GPS INTERFERENCE, COMMUNICATIONS JAMMING, AND POSSIBLE ERRANT LONG-RANGE SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILES ORIGINATING FROM SYRIAN TERRITORY, WITHIN THE OSTT FIR, AND STRAYING INTO ADJACENT AIRSPACE, THAT COULD POSE AN INADVERTENT RISK TO U.S. CIVIL AVIATION OPERATING IN THIS REGION. TITLE 14, CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, SECTION 91.1609, SPECIAL FEDERAL AVIATION REGULATION NO. 114— PROHIBITION AGAINST CERTAIN FLIGHTS IN THE DAMASCUS FIR REMAINS IN EFFECT.

A. APPLICABILITY. THIS NOTAM APPLIES TO: ALL U.S. AIR CARRIERS AND COMMERCIAL OPERATORS; ALL PERSONS EXERCISING THE PRIVILEGES OF AN AIRMAN CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE FAA, EXCEPT SUCH PERSONS OPERATING U.S.-REGISTERED AIRCRAFT FOR A FOREIGN AIR CARRIER; AND ALL OPERATORS OF AIRCRAFT REGISTERED IN THE UNITED STATES, EXCEPT WHERE THE OPERATOR OF SUCH AIRCRAFT IS A FOREIGN AIR CARRIER.

B. PLANNING. THOSE PERSONS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH A PLANNING TO OPERATE WITHIN 200 NAUTICAL MILES OF THE OSTT FIR SHOULD EXERCISE CAUTION AND MUST REVIEW CURRENT SECURITY/THREAT INFORMATION AND NOTAMS AND COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE FAA REGULATIONS, OPERATIONS SPECIFICATIONS, MANAGEMENT SPECIFICATIONS, AND LETTERS OF AUTHORIZATION, INCLUDING UPDATING B450.

C. OPERATIONS. EXERCISE CAUTION DURING FLIGHT OPERATIONS IN THE ABOVE NAMED AREA DUE TO HEIGHTENED MILITARY ACTIVITY IN OR AROUND SYRIA AND THE POTENTIAL RISK TO U.S. CIVIL AVIATION IN THE REGION. THOSE PERSONS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH A MUST REPORT ANY SAFETY/SECURITY INCIDENTS TO THE FAA AT ASH-AXE-CITE-WATCH@FAA.GOV OR +1 202-267-3333 or 1-844-412-1794.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS PROVIDED AT:

[https://www.faa.gov/AIR_TRAFFIC/PUBLICATIONS/US_RESTRICTIONS/media/KICZ_Pointer NOTAM A0001-18 Syria-SFAR 114.pdf](https://www.faa.gov/AIR_TRAFFIC/PUBLICATIONS/US_RESTRICTIONS/media/KICZ_Pointer_NOTAM_A0001-18_Syria-SFAR_114.pdf)

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Appendix 3

Source: [AIC France Circular 15/18](#)

From 31/07/2014 and until further notice, French carriers are requested not to authorize their aircraft to penetrate into the airspace of Syria (OSTT FIR (DAMASCUS)).

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Appendix 4

Source: [Germany NOTAM B1366/18](#)

B1366/18 (issued for EDMM EDGG EDWW)

SECURITY SYRIA POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS SITUATION - FIR DAMASCUS (OSTT)

CONTENT:

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY PROHIBITS CIVIL GERMAN AIR OPERATORS TO PLAN AND CONDUCT FLIGHTS WITHIN FIR DAMASCUS (OSTT). POTENTIAL RISK TO AVIATION DUE TO A STATE OF WAR INCLUDING MILITARY OPERATIONS.

EMERGENCY SITUATIONS: IN AN EMERGENCY THAT REQUIRES IMMEDIATE DECISION AND ACTION FOR THE SAFETY OF THE FLIGHT, THE PILOT IN COMMAND MAY DEVIATE FROM THIS NOTAM TO THE EXTENT REQUIRED BY THAT EMERGENCY.

FURTHER INFORMATION: WEBSITE OF THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE OF GERMANY ([HTTPS://WWW.BMVI.DE/DE/THEMEN/MOBILITAET/LUFT/KRISENMANAGEMENT/KRISENMANAGEMENT.HTML](https://www.bmvi.de/de/themen/mobilitaet/luft/krisenmanagement/krisenmanagement.html)).

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