

Conflict Zone Information Bulletin

CZIB No.: 2018-02

Issued: 10 January 2018

Subject: Airspace of Pakistan – Karachi and Lahore Flight Information Regions

Cancellation:

None

Ref. Publication(s):

- NOTAM B1720/17 issued by Aeronautical Information Service-Centre (AIS-C) of Germany (see Appendix 1 of this CZIB).
- United Kingdom AIP ENR 1.1, issued 08 October 2015 (see Appendix 2).
- AIC France Circular A 24/17 issued 10 August 2017 by DGAC-France (see Appendix 3).

Affected Airspace:

Pakistan airspace, Karachi FIR (OPKR) and Lahore FIR (OPLR).

Applicability:

This CZIB applies to operators.

Description:

The Agency draws the attention of the aviation community to the above referenced information, copies of which are attached to this CZIB.

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.

Validity:

This CZIB is valid until 09 July 2018.

Contact(s):

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Appendix 1

Source: Germany

Reference: Notam B1720/17

Issued: Nov 13, 2017, valid until: Feb 09, 2018

Plain English: Minimum FL260 over the entire country of Pakistan. Consider carefully before landing in

Pakistan.

B1720/17 (Issued for EDWW EDGG EDMM) - SECURITY -- PAKISTAN -- POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS SITUATION FIR KARACHI (OPKR) AND FIR LAHORE (OPLR):

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY ADVISES GERMAN OPERATORS
NOT TO PLAN AND CONDUCT FLIGHTS BELOW FL260 DUE TO HAZARDOUS
SITUATION WITHIN FIR KARACHI (OPKR) AND FIR LAHORE (OPLR).

POTENTIAL RISK TO AVIATION OVERFLYING THIS AREA BELOW FL260 AND TAKE OFF / LANDING AT ALL AIRPORTS WITHIN FIR KARACHI (OPKR) AND FIR LAHORE (OPLR) FROM DEDICATED ANTI-AVIATION WEAPONRY, ONGOING MILITARY ACTIVITIES AND POSSIBLE ATTACKS ON GROUND.

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.

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Appendix 2

Source: UK

Reference: AIP ENR 1.1

Issued: Oct 08, 2015, valid until: Ongoing

Plain English: Risk to aircraft overflying OPKC/Karachi and OPLR/Lahore FIRs at less than 25,000 feet.

Hazardous Situation in Pakistan

Potential risk to aviation overflying Karachi and Lahore FIRs at less than 25,000 ft above ground (agl) level from dedicated anti-aviation weaponry.

Operators are advised to take this potential risk into account in their risk assessments and routing decisions.

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Appendix 3

Source: France Reference: AIC 24/17

Issued: Aug 10, 2017, valid until: Ongoing

Plain English: Maintain FL240 or above in OPLR and OPKR FIRs

From 17/01/2015 and until further notice, French carriers are requested to ensure that their aircraft maintain at all times a flight level equal to or above FL240 in the airspace of Pakistan (OPLR FIR (LAHORE) and OPKR FIR (KARACHI)).