

Conflict Zone Information Bulletin

CZIB No.: 2018-03 Issued: 25 April 2018

Subject: Airspace of South Sudan

Revision / Cancellation:

This CZIB replaces and cancels EASA SIB 2014-35 dated 30 December 2014.

Reference Publications(s):

- United Kingdom NOTAM AIP ENR 1.1 issued 14 September 2017 (see Appendix 1 of this CZIB).
- United States Federal Aviation Administration KICZ A0018/17 issued 08 August 2017 (see Appendix 2).
- AIC France Circular A06/18 issued 08 February 2018 (see Appendix 3).
- Germany NOTAM B0430/18 issued 19 March 2018 (see Appendix 4).

Affected Airspace:

South Sudan airspace, below Flight Level (FL) 250.

Applicability:

This CZIB applies to operators.

Description:

Ongoing armed conflict in South Sudan between the government and rebel forces is taking place, with consequent risk to flight operations safety deriving from possible use of small arms fire, rocket-propelled grenades, anti-aircraft fire, and shoulder-fired MANPADS (man-portable air-defence systems).

Due to the ongoing conflict it the region, the airspace is assessed to pose a HIGH risk to operations at altitudes below FL 250.

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



Validity:

This CZIB is valid until 25 October 2018.

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Appendix 1

Source: United Kingdom NOTAM AIP ENR 1.1 United Kingdom Aeronautical Information Service

Minimum 25000 AGL in South Sudan territory.

Hazardous Situation within or over the territory and airspace of South Sudan.

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

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

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Appendix 2

Source: United States Federal Aviation Administration KICZ NOTAM A0018/17

KICZ A0018/17 - SECURITY..UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ADVISORY FOR SOUTH SUDAN THOSE PERSONS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH A (APPLICABILITY) SHOULD EXERCISE CAUTION FLYING INTO, OUT OF, WITHIN OR OVER THE TERRITORY AND AIRSPACE OF SOUTH SUDAN AT ALTITUDES BELOW FL260 DUE TO THE HAZARDOUS SITUATION CREATED BY THE ONGOING FIGHTING AND INSTABILITY IN SOUTH SUDAN.

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. PERSONS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH A (APPLICABILITY) WHO INTEND TO FLY INTO, OUT OF, WITHIN, OR OVER THE ABOVE-NAMED AREA MUST REVIEW CURRENT SECURITY/THREAT INFORMATION AND NOTAMS; ENSURE THEIR OPERATIONS SPECIFICATION, MANAGEMENT SPECIFICATION, OR LETTER OF AUTHORIZATION B450 IS CURRENT; TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE, PROVIDE ADVANCE NOTICE OF FLIGHTS, WITH SPECIFIC DETAILS, TO AEO-CITEWATCH@FAA.GOV AT LEAST 72 HOURS PRIOR TO TAKEOFF; AND REPORT SAFETY AND/OR SECURITY INCIDENTS TO THE FAA AT +1 202-267-3333 OR +1 202-267-3203.

THE JUSTIFICATION FOR THIS ADVISORY WILL BE RE-EVALUATED BY 8 AUG 2018. BACKGROUND INFORMATION REGARDING THE HAZARDS TO U.S. CIVIL AVIATION ASSOCIATED WITH THIS NOTAM IS AVAILABLE AT: HTTPS://WWW.FAA.GOV/AIR_TRAFFIC/PUBLICATIONS/US_RESTRICTIONS. SFC-FL259; 8 AUG 12:40 2017 UNTIL 8 AUG 23:59 2018. CREATED: 8 AUG 12:48 2017

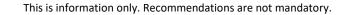


Appendix 3

Source: AIC France Circular A06/18

Minimum FL240 in the entire HSSS/Khartoum FIR.

From 27/03/2015 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 Sudan and South Sudan (HSSS FIR (KHARTUM)).





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Source: Germany NOTAM B0430/18

Minimum FL260 over South Sudan

B0430/18 (Issued for EDWW EDGG EDMM) - SECURITY...SOUTH SUDAN... POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS SITUATION - FIR KHARTOUM (HSSS)

POTENTIAL RISK TO AVIATION WITHIN THE POLITICAL BORDERS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN OVERFLYING FIR KHARTOUM (HSSS) BELOW FL260 AND TAKE OFF/LANDINGS AT ALL AIRPORTS FROM DEDICATED ANTI-AVIATION AND GROUND TO GROUND WEAPONRY.

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY ADVISES CIVIL GERMAN AIR OPERATORS TO TAKE POTENTIAL RISK INTO ACCOUNT IN THEIR RISK ASSESSMENT AND ROUTEING DECISIONS.

EMERGENCY SITUATION: 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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