

SUBJECT : OVERFLIGHT OF CONFLICT ZONES

This AIC cancels and supersedes AIC France A 08/20.

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This circular lists the areas outside the national territory subject to overflight restrictions or penetration prohibitions issued by the French authorities to French air carriers and aircraft owners registered in France.

2 GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 2.1 Exceptional waivers may be granted upon motivated request to the competent authority.
- 2.2 These restrictions or prohibitions apply without prejudice to emergency measures that the pilot in command may take in case of absolute necessity.

3 LIST OF CONCERNED AREAS

3.1 Ukraine

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested not to authorize their aircraft to penetrate into UKDV (DNIPROPETROVS'K) and UKFV (SIMFEROPOL) FIRs, except for routes segments M860 KUGOS - DIGAM, L851 KUGOS - ADINA, M854 SUMOL - RASIL, M856RAKUR - DIGAM, which are available for flight planning according to conditions published in Ukraine aeronautical information, and for which it is advisable to refer to the most current recommendations published by the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA).

3.2 Iraq

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested not to authorize their aircraft to penetrate into the airspace of Iraq (ORBB FIR (BAGHDAD)), except for routes UM860, UM688 and UL602 (between TASMI and ALPET) on which French air carriers are requested to maintain at all times a flight level above or equal to FL320.

3.3 Libya

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested not to authorize their aircraft to penetrate into the airspace of Libya (HLLL FIR (TRIPOLI)).

3.4 Syria

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested not to authorize their aircraft to penetrate into the airspace of Syria (OSTT FIR (DAMASCUS)).

3.5 Afghanistan

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested to ensure that their aircraft maintain at all times a flight level above or equal to FL260 in the airspace of Afghanistan (OAKX FIR (KABUL)).

3.6 Pakistan

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested to ensure that their aircraft maintain at all times a flight level above or equal to FL260 in the airspace of Pakistan (OPLR FIR (LAHORE) and OPKR FIR (KARACHI)).

3.7 Yemen

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested not to authorize their aircraft to penetrate into the airspace of Yemen (OYSC FIR (SANA'A)).

3.8 Sudan

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested to ensure that their aircraft maintain at all times a flight level above or equal to FL 260 in the part of the KHARTOUM FIR (HSSS) located west of the 27th meridian and south of the 13th parallel above Sudan's territory.

3.9 South Sudan

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested to ensure that their aircraft maintain at all times a flight level above or equal to FL260 in the part of the KHARTOUM FIR (HSSS) above South Sudan.

3.10 Somalia

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested to ensure that their aircraft maintain at all times a flight level above or equal to FL260 in the airspace of Somalia (HCSM FIR (MOGADISHU)).

3.11 Mali

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested to ensure that their aircraft maintain at all times a flight level above or equal to FL320 in the part of the Niamey FIR (DRRR) located above the Malian territory.

3.12 North Korea

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested to exercise particular caution during flight operations in the airspace of North Korea (ZKKP FIR (PYONGYANG)), especially its maritime part.

3.13 Saudi Arabia

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested :

- To exercise caution during flight operations in the airspace of Saudi Arabia (FIR JEDDAH (OEJD)) and follow instructions given by the Saudi authorities providing air traffic services, particularly in the southwest of JEDDAH FIR (OEJD) in which SCATANA (Security Control of Air Traffic and Air Navigation Aids rules) may be activated by NOTAM from the Saudi authorities ;
- Not to operate any flights to Abha (OEAB), Jazan (OEGN), Nejran (OENG), Sharurah (OESH), Wadi Al Dawasir (OEWD) and Bisha (OEBH) air-ports located in the southwest of JEDDAH FIR (OEJD) in which SCATANA (Security Control of Air Traffic and Air Navigation Aids rules) may be activated by NOTAM from the Saudi authorities. Such airports shall not be identified as alternate airports when planning flight operations.

3.14 Iran

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested not to authorize their aircraft to penetrate in the part of the TEHRAN FIR (OIIX) located west of the 54th meridian and to ensure that their aircraft maintain at all times a flight level above or equal to FL320 in the part of the TEHRAN FIR (OIIX) located east of the 54th meridian.

3.15 Armenia – Azerbaijan

From 23/07/2020 and until further notice, French air carriers and owners of aircraft registered in France are requested not to authorize their aircraft to penetrate in the part of the YEREVAN SVARNOTS FIR (UDDD) east of the meridian 44°45'00"E and in the part of the BAKU FIR (UBBA) west of the meridian 47°20'00" E except for routes M737 (between DISKA and VERCA), M747 (between VERCA and LIMTI), T916 (between LEYLA and SUBUT), N161 (between LEYLA and LIMTI), N996 (between GIPAR and SUBUT), L850, N644, N319, T923 and T921 on which a flight level above or equal to FL340 is requested at all times.