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FSB removes North Korea airspace warnings



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CYUL/Montreal Due to construction, **no GA/BA ops allowed** 1600-2000 local from May 15-Jun 30. From Jun 8-10 this is lifted for the Grand Prix.

LFZZ/France ATC have announced they will take part in the national general strike planned for May 22. **Another ATC strike** is planned for the LFMM/Marseille sector spanning the weekend May 26-28.

HCZZ/Somalia IFALPA have issued updated information on safety of operations within the **Mogadishu FIR** (HCSM). Details here.

LFMN/Nice With the Cannes Film Festival and the Monaco Grand Prix happening this month, expect the airport to be **busier than usual**. They've published an AIP SUP (042/18) on it, but it just reiterates the normal procedures: slot and parking confirmation are required in advance.

WIZZ/Indonesia The Mount Merapi **volcano** in central Java erupted early on May 11, forcing nearby WAHH/Yoghakarta International Airport to temporarily close. Volcanic Ash cloud has since dissipated, and

authorities say further eruptions are unlikely.

HBZZ/Burundi Canada is now **warning against all travel** to Burundi, due to ongoing political tensions, civil unrest and daily armed violence. A referendum is taking place on May 17, and demonstrations are expected over the next few weeks.

HLMS/Misrata Airport is set to re-open this week, after suspending air traffic two weeks ago to carry out maintenance on the runway. **Security is still a major issue** here though, as the airport has been forced to close on several occasions this year due to ongoing clashes between local militia.

EGGW/Luton Disruption expected over the holiday weekend May 25-30, as ground staff including firefighters, baggage handlers, and security staff, are planning to go on **strike** at various different times.

ORZZ/Iraq All airports in the country **re-opened** on May 12, following a 24hr closure for the elections.

VTBS/Bangkok IFALPA have issued some information on the ongoing problem of **soft ground**affecting the taxiways and aircraft stands. Details here.

YSCB/Canberra Canberra don't like receiving diverts without having an agreement in place. In Mar 2017, Qantas claim the airport refused to let their diverted B738 from departing again until a charge of \$18,000 was paid by credit card – the usual fee should be around \$2000.

FAZZ/South Africa More reports of "follow-home" armed robberies of foreigners travelling to/from airports. Ten separate incidents at FAOR/Johannesburg on Apr 27, and one at FALE/Durban on May 13.

UKZZ/Ukraine Ukraine has **extended its ban** on Russian aircraft entering Ukrainian airspace until 13th August.

KIMT/Iron Mountain The airport has now **reopened**, after the main runway was closed for 15 days for repair work.

KPGV/Greenville The runway repair work was completed four days ahead of schedule, and the airport reopened on May 15.

RPLL/Manila The airport is reporting numerous potholes, soft spots and uneven pavement on its taxiways and apron. None reported on the runways so far, but this time last year the airport was forced to shut down one runway for a few hours to repair a big pothole.

VOTV/Trivandrum Shortage of parking bays expected from now until the end of Aug. All night-stops require approval 24hrs in advance.

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