

Monday Briefing:

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LLBG/Tel Aviv, Israel closures - January Dec 29: WIP continues at LLBG/Tel Aviv, Israel, which has now announced a series of January closures. All longer closures will occur on Fridays - Jan 6, 13, 20, and 27, between 1600 and 2055Z. There is also a daily closure 2300-0005Z, where LLBG is closed to landing traffic for one hour. There is a comforting note that if you are enroute to LLBG and running late approaching a closure period, ATC will do everything they can to accommodate you.

Ops on Dec 31/Jan 1 Dec 31st: We recommend taking extra care when flight planning for overnight flights on New Year's Eve, or for flights planned to arrive/depart after 6pm on DEC31. Many of your regular airports may be closed. A good number of enroute alternates will also be closed overnight, particularly in Europe and Russia. FBO's may also be closed - so check carefully in advance. And if you are working - enjoy the evening nonetheless!

Europe 30th December will be the peak travel day of the Christmas period, with significant delays expected en-route and at major airports.

Worldwide 31 Dec/01 Jan - check overnight (Z) alternate availability carefully. Many airports and FBO's will be closed for New Year's eve, even the ones you might expect to be open! We recommend you reconfirm with your Ground Handler service availability.

SPIM/Lima, Peru Intermittent VHF comms issues in eastern sectors (Cuzco), 10 mins separation being applied between traffic on same airway exiting/entering Lima FIR. Try HF 10024 if no contact on VHF. New NOTAM issued for the Lima airport Runway 15/33 closed 0600-1200, and no pushback will be accepted after 0540Z.

SEUO/Montevideo FIR, Uruguay Notice given of ATC Staffing issues, during period of reduced staff availability, flow control will be applied.

TJSJ/San Juan, Puerto Rico TFR's and airspace restrictions due VIP movements 27DEC - 02 JAN, see NOTAMs.

UHPP/Petropavlovsk, Russia Customs staff are not in attendance 0800-2000Z, therefore Airport is not available as alternate without prior arrangement. Emergency Landing is available H24 without restriction.

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HEGN/Hurghada, Egypt Arrivals regulated due to reduced capacity, 29DEC, mid morning to early afternoon, heavy delays predicted.

GCCC/Canarias ACC CPDLC and ADS-C out of service 29DEC between 0900-1500Z

OOMM/Muscat FIR Qaroon Haritti SSR will be out of service on 31DEC 0430-1730Z

SCEZ/Santiago ACC New RNAV 5 Route available TCO-PUREN-CAR-TILKO-AMB with effect 23DEC