

Monday Briefing: Iraq aircraft ban list

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Iraq: Ban list extended Oct 1st: The list of aircraft banned from operating in Iraqi airspace now included the following: B737-200, B727-1 and -200, Antonov 12, 24, and 26, and the Tupolev 154. Recently, Russia also moved to end the commercial flying career of the smaller Tu-134 by 2012, as a result of safety concerns about the aircraft. Iraq has also a published list including 30 countries that must undergo more rigorous checks before being approved to fly within the Baghdad FIR.

US Restrictions

KPHX-RWY 7R/25L CLSD UNTIL 2200

KBOS-RWY 15R/33L CLSD UNTIL 11/30

KCLT-RWY 5/23 CLSD UNTIL 10/6; RWY 18C/36C CLSD UNTIL 11/15

KMDW-RWY 13L/31R CLSD UNTIL 10/28

KDEN-RWY 8/26 CLSD UNTIL 10/12

KZNY/New York ACC ZNY-OCEANA (QVC) RADAR OTS 15-19Z, SEE ATCSCC ADVZY 018

LFTZ/St. Tropez, France No arrivals permitted Thursday 6th 1240-1530 due to Airport meetings. See NOTAMs.

LGGG/Greece FIR Staffing problems continue. Wednesday 5th strike affects all Greek airports – overflights OK. Thursday outlook is good with 5 sectors operating for LGGG FIR and 3 for LGMD. Minor delays only in Rodos sector from 0600Z. LGZA, LGSA arrivals may be regulated.

LLBG/Tel Aviv Ben Gurion and LLLL/Tel Aviv FIR closed on 07 and 08 Oct for public holiday. Israel Airspace closed 07 OCT 11Z – 08 OCT 18Z. Airport same closure time, first arrival 1930Z, first departure 2030Z on the 8th Oct.

MHTG/Cenamer FIR – Central America Upper Airspace Introducing RNAV5 routes in Nov 17th. 14 new routes will be established. Equipped aircraft should show “R” and “Z” in Field 10, with Field 18 showing NAVI/B1 with B1-B6 showing the type of equipment on board.

FACA/South Africa CAMU (Flow Control) web access undergoing software upgrade 05 Oct 18Z – 00Z, interruption to service likely.

Australia No Delays at primary airports, ops normal.

HDTC/Dar es Salaam, Tanzania The minimum altitude for the arrival routes ETKOP1 (ETKOP-LOSIN) and EVATO 1A have been raised from 10,000 ft to 12,000 ft with effect from October 4th. This info may not appear in NOTAMs.

Flight Planning: Eurocontrol. If you've been trying to plan a flight across the EYVL/Vilnius FIR, Lithuania – you will have received an error message that prevents the plan being filed. See this note: VALIDITY FROM : WIE UNTIL 20/10/2011. BECAUSE OF A PROBLEM IN CFMU DATABASE WITH THE DEFINITION OF EYVL UIR, FPLS VIA UL732, UL736, UM870, UM983, UN994 RAISE AN RVSM ENTRY/EXIT CONDITION ERROR. FPLS WILL BE MANUALLY ACCEPTED BY THE IFPS STAFF. THE SYSTEM WILL AUTOMATICALLY INCLUDE THE COMMENT – THIS FPL DOES NOT COMPLY WITH EUR RVSM REQUIREMENT – IN THE ACK MESSAGE AND INSERT IFP/RVSMVIOLATION IN FIELD 18 OF THE FPL, EVEN THOUGH THE FPL IS RVSM COMPLIANT. THE PROBLEM IS FIXED FOR AIRAC 1111.

ORBB/Baghdad FIR Baghdad Control is now responsible for Balad APP - frequency 128.2

SPIM/Lima, Peru Struggling with Airport capacity. A variety of significant restrictions for General Aviation, Non Scheduled, and Cargo flights go into effect Oct 4th. Check carefully with your handler or dispatcher as all movements should be co-ordinated at least 24 hrs in advance from now on.

TTZP/Piarco FIR HF Remains out of service, with all contact through New York Radio instead.