

# NAT Changes in the last 12 months

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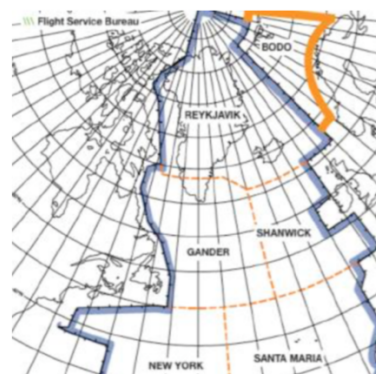
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### MNPS replaced by HLA February 2016

In 1977, as the ocean got busier, MNPS was introduced to make sure that pilots (and aircraft) flying in the NAT region were up to scratch. In other words, be able to understand and fly an Oceanic Clearance, and make sure the aircraft navigation is up to the job of flying that clearance. The term was a mouthful – but the purpose was simple – know what you're doing. MNPS required **crew** to be trained, and the **aircraft** to be able to perform to a minimum standard.

In February 2016, the new term for MNPS is **NAT HLA – High Level Airspace**. Bodo Oceanic joins the airspace.

## References



More reading:  
- FSB NAT HLA Map (Feb 2016)

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