

# Midweek Briefing 18MAY: Brazil Airspace changes for Olympics, Increase in Fake Nav Charges

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Date: Mon, 16 May 2016 07:35:54 -0700  
From: assistant (lina.kurachenko@eurocontrolin.net)  
Subject: Remittance eurocontrol slip

The Manager Accounts Payable Controller,

Eurocontrol demands for swift confirmation and proof of settlement of I  
EUROCONTROL. The invoices are with regards to Air navigation, En  
February and March 2016 invoices. We kindly request that you forward  
updates, and also to enable us updates all records in preparation for the  
reconciliation purpose.

We also wish to use this medium to inform you of the change in our ac  
the accounts stated on the invoice send to you due to the logistics pro  
forwarded to your notification as soon as possible, preceding to the su  
plead that you bear with us.

Thanks once again for your understanding and cooperation.

Thank you and best regards,

Lina Kurachenko  
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**Brazil Airspace changes for Olympics 18MAY** A number of airspace changes, and specific procedures for aircrew and ATC, have been created for Brazil in advance of the 2016 Olympic Games, which start on 05AUG. Read the article.

**Increase in Fake Nav Charges 18MAY** We've seen an increasing variety of bogus emails, that at first glance look like they are from Eurocontrol – but aren't. It's a concern: instead of sending your Nav Fees payment to Eurocontrol, you've actually sent it to a suburb of Lagos. Read the article.

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**LFZZ/France** A French national call to strike is planned for 19MAY. Several public service unions have echoed this call, including USAC-CGT for the DGAC. Please check the **NOP Portal** for the latest advisories.

**BIKF/Keflavik** Closures here and in BIRD/Reykjavik Oceanic airspace continue due to ATC Industrial action. Plan all flights to or within Icelandic airspace with caution. Iceland strike continues ... Read Full Article.

**UIBB/Bratsk** has multiple new restrictions of ATC hours, RFF categories, and availability as alternate. Check A1923.

**PLCH/Christmas Island** will not supply JetA1 to non-scheduled flights, shortage until 26MAY. Landing permits are now required at least three days prior, and can be obtained via email at cal02@mcttd.gov.ki.

**EGLL/London Heathrow** will have an emergency exercise on 21MAY. If you see smoke or fire, it's most likely from there.

**N90/New York Airports** The FAA has withdrawn its proposed slot program which was extremely restrictive to non-scheduled operators. The FAA is withdrawing the **NPRM** to allow for further evaluation of these changes.

**KZZZ/United States** the FAA has updated it's list of **Critical DME's**. When these critical DME's are not available, it results in navigation service which is not sufficient for DME/DME/IRU operations along all or portions of a specific route or procedure. This is mainly an issue for Non-GPS equipped aircraft.

**CYUL/Montreal** has added a new International wing to the terminal as of 12MAY. The 65,620-square-foot expansion includes 8,611 square feet of additional retail space and six new boarding gates.

**SO00/Cayenne FIR** issued NOTAM A0141/16 advising that due to the SOCA CPDLC system trail, datalink connection may be lost. If unable to communicate by CPDLC then they advise to contact SO00 or SOCA VIA normal HF frequencies until 24JUN.

**North Atlantic** The London Met Office has issued it's **North Atlantic tropical storm seasonal forecast for 2016**.

**EZZZ/Europe** an annual large scale military exercise called "NATO Tiger Meet 2016" will be held from 16MAY to 27MAY in Spain. NOTAMs LE D1109/16 and D1272/16 have been issued along with a **map** detailing the area.

**LOWW/Vienna** has introduced 2 new RNP(AR) approaches RNAV (RNP) N RWY 16 and RNAV (RNP) E RWY 16. The Austrian AIS has issued **AIC A 5/16** covering the additions.

**LKPR/Prague** officials stated that they are working to assess the security at LKPR as they begin to implement the government's security recommendations. The measures, including face recognition technology, should be fully introduced within 12 to 18 months. Security has increased in response to the attacks in Brussels. Heavily armed soldiers continue to patrol LKPR.

**Arabian Peninsula** on 11MAY the Centre for Disease Control CDC issued an Alert Level 2 for MERS in the Arabian Peninsula.

**NZZC/Christchurch FIR** has issued NOTAM B2740/16 advising of recent activity for Volcano Mount Ruapehu. No current eruption but concern for increased likelihood of eruption exists.

**FHSH/St. Helena** has received its certification to begin commercial flight operations. An 1850 meter runway, a 3500 sq m airport terminal and other associated infrastructure, such as access roads, bulk fuel installations, water supplies and aerodrome ground lighting have been installed and are ready for operational use. However – concerns remain about windshear which is currently delaying acceptance of traffic.

**HKZZ/Kenya** The U.S filed an advisory with IATA stating that Kenyan airspace is unsafe due to a possibility of extremist or militant activity within Kenyan airspace as Al Shabaab has demonstrated the capability and intent to conduct terrorist attacks in Kenya targeting, among others, US/Western interests including aviation interests.

**EGPX/Scottish** Scottish Control is changing to a new ATC system this week: expect airspace restrictions. ATC advises a fundamental level of change in the method of operation within Scottish Upper Airspace will result. There is no change to the Oceanic Operation, and Domestic CPDLC will be available at all times from 17MAY.

**CYMM/Fort McMurray, Canada** remains closed due to Forest Fires; only emergency and evacuation flights are allowed.

**EHZZ/Amsterdam FIR** The Netherlands has revised procedures for obtaining Special Permission for

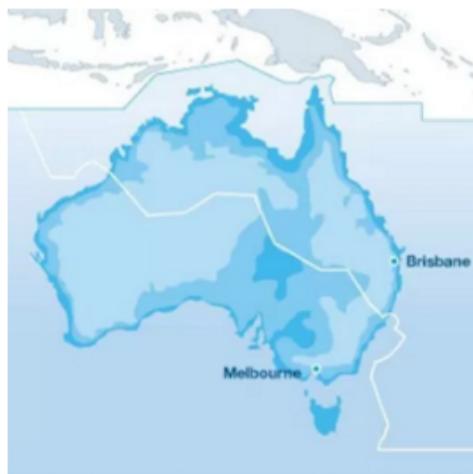
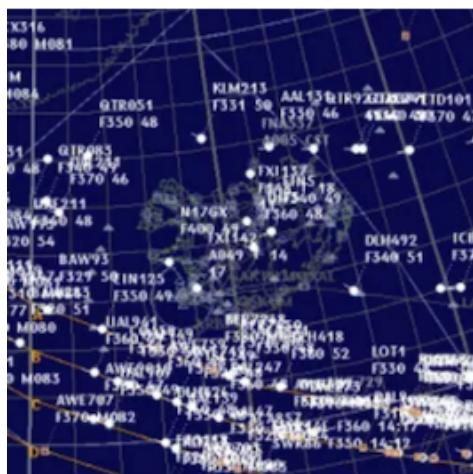
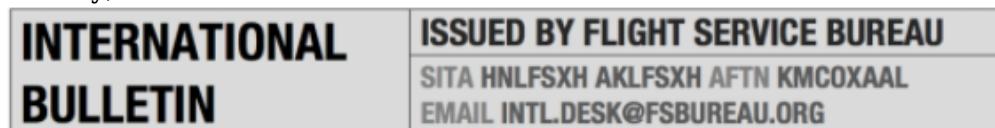
overflying or landing aircraft on delivery, ferry flights, or other circumstances where a normal Certificate of Airworthiness is not in place. Read the article. Questions should be directed to our ferry team at [service@fsbureau.org](mailto:service@fsbureau.org).

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# Midweek Briefing 11MAY: Reykjavik Oceanic Closure, Australia to turn off Navaids

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**Reykjavik Oceanic Closure 11MAY** Operators planning eastbound flights across the NAT should be aware of a NOTAM issued earlier by Reykjavik Oceanic/Iceland ATC, that essentially asks traffic to avoid the airspace wherever possible, due to further ATC Industrial Action. Read the article.

**Australia to turn off Navaids** 11MAY On 26MAY, Australia will switch off around 180 different VOR's, NDB's, and other ground-based Navaids. All international operators will be required to have GNSS/GPS as primary navigation. Read the article.

**CYMM/Fort McMurray, Canada** is closed due to Forest Fires; only emergency and evacuation flights are allowed.

**EGPX/Scottish** Expect delays from 17MAY when controllers change to a new ATC system. ATC advises a fundamental level of change in the method of operation within Scottish Upper Airspace will result. There is no change to the Oceanic Operation, and Domestic CPDLC will be available at all times from 17MAY.

**KATL/Atlanta** closed one of its three security checkpoints in the domestic terminal for three weeks and

will reopen 25MAY. They have added additional security lines to the other 2 checkpoints in hopes of reducing the impact. Plan for extra time if you are heading through ATL in the next few weeks.

**LGZZ/Greece** An update on 09MAY was issued for the slot allocation Rules and Guidelines for all Greek Coordinated Airports. The updated document can be found at GABA report.

**YZZZ/Australia** CASA has issued clarification as to who is responsible for Terrain Clearance when ATC instructs an aircraft to “resume own navigation”. Consistent with ICAO standard, while under radar vectors below the MSA, ATC assumes responsibility for Terrain Clearance. The AIC is worthwhile refresher reading as this applies to most International Ops.

**OYRN/Mukalla** has reopened after it was recently re-captured by government and Emirati soldiers. It is currently only accepting humanitarian and aid flights.

**HKIS/Isiolo** is a new airport in Kenya that will be operational in early JUN. The new facility will cater to domestic and international flights and will have annual passenger capacity of 125,000 and a 1400m runway. Isiolo is located near many national reserves, approximately 125 mi/200 km northeast of Nairobi.

**BIRD/Reykjavik Oceanic** Operators planning eastbound flights across the NAT should be aware of a NOTAM issued earlier by Reykjavik Oceanic/Iceland ATC, that essentially asks traffic to avoid the airspace wherever possible, due to further ATC Industrial Action. Eastbound flights in particular will not be accepted into the airspace unless ... [Read Full Article](#).

**LIZZ/Italy** Another ATC Industrial Action in Europe has been announced for 14MAY, this time in Italy and affecting only part of operational personnel. Only some air navigation services may be affected. The following NOTAM has been issued.

**EGLL/London Heathrow** has been identified as the airport most affected in the UK by laser strike incidents with 121 in 2015, followed by EGBB/Birmingham with 94, EGCC/Manchester recording 93 and EGNM/Leeds Bradford with 77.

**SKBO/Bogota** has introduced a significant enhancement to the current ATC infrastructure by adding Secondary Surveillance Radar or SSR. The Colombian CAA issued AIC **A07/16** to cover the upgrade. This will help increase the level of safety for operations in SKBO, especially given the terrain in the vicinity.

**WZZZ/Indonesia** The Visa-Free Program has expanded to Nationals from a total of 169 countries and are now eligible to enter Indonesia without a visa. Although the regulation is silent on the allowable activities under this status, the previous version of the law restricted its use to tourism.

**LFPG/Paris** The first IFR LPV approach was implemented at LFPG for Runway 26L on 03MAY. The new approach mirrors Cat I ILS approach minimums, including a 200-foot decision height, and it is supported by the European Geostationary Navigation Overlay Service (EGNOS).

**WSZZ/Singapore** has introduced a system called **ATLAS** (Air Transportation License and Administration System), for obtaining the application, renewal and administration of licences and permits for scheduled and non-scheduled air services.

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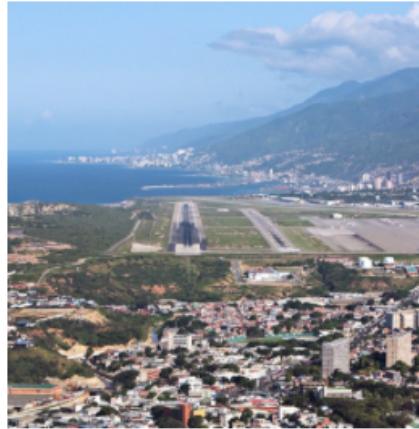
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# Earthquakes: Japan & Ecuador, South America - New Timezone: Midweek Briefing

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**Earthquakes: Japan, Ecuador** 20APR Two large earthquakes struck Japan and Ecuador in the past week, with a longer term impact on International Flight Ops. RJFT/Kumamoto and SEMT/Manta are both closed UFN. [Read full article](#).

**South America - New Timezone** 20APR In an unusual move, a new time zone will take effect in South America from the 1st of May. As part of a measure to battle an energy crisis in Venezuela, the entire country will change timezone from UTC -4h30 to UTC-5, to ensure more daylight in the evening when energy consumption peaks. [Read full article](#).

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**EGLL/London Heathrow** An A320 was struck by a drone on approach to LHR on 17APR. This is the first incident of its kind, though there have been many close calls to date.

**FMZZ/Madagascar** Cyclone Fanatala is currently north of Madagascar, the equivalent of a Category 5 Hurricane. It is expected to miss the island nation and the main airport of FMMI but the close proximity of the cyclone to the island may cause flight disruptions.

**BIKF/Keflavik** beginning 01MAY, BIKF will be imposing a new Terminal Navigation Charge. This charge is to be applied to all flights arriving at BIKF. The airport authority has issued an Air Navigation Chargedocument to assist in determining the impact of the new fee.

**LTZZ/Turkey**. We've been alerted to a change in Overflight Requirements - aircraft with M- and VP-registrations, and any other countries without a bilateral agreement, require an Overflight Permit. See the

new Turkey Lowdown for full information.

**TIZZ/U.S. Virgin Islands** authorities, assisted by the FBI, began investigating reports of a plot to attack airports on the Virgin Islands, notably the Terrance B. Lettsome International Airport (Beef Island Airport). The U.S. Coast Guard first received information of a terrorist attack plot circulating on social media. The threat focused on Terrance B. Lettsome International Airport but also mentioned airports on St. Croix, St. Thomas and St. John as possible targets. No information is available on what level of credibility authorities attach to these threats.

**EBBR/Brussels** A recent report from the Brussels Airport CEO has stated that EBBR will be 100% operational by the beginning of June.

**EDNY/Friedrichshafen** will be hosting the AERO 2016 exhibition from 20APR to 23APR. There is an expected increase in IFR traffic to the airport during the event. Please refer to NOTAM C0933/16 for further details.

**LCCC/Nicosia FIR** due to a Russian Navy Exercise and rocket test firings in the Mediterranean Sea, there are NOTAM'd route closures for W/UW17 from BALMA-NIKAS, R/UR78 and M/UM978 daily from 0500-1500Z on 21APR and 22APR. The NOTAMS covering the closure are A0308/16 and A0310/16.

**SBZZ/Brazil** The Canadian government has issued a helpful health notice for crew/passengers planning to travel to Brazil for the upcoming Olympic Games, which has advice on how to contend with the Zika virus.

**MGZZ/Guatemala** Volcano Santa Maria has had some recent high level ash dispersed into the atmosphere up to FL250. The Washington VAAC provides advisories and forecasts.

**ZBAA/Beijing** is not available for Non-Emergency diversions or planned as an alternate due to gate/stand shortage daily from 13-23Z daily until 28OCT16.

**VIZZ/India** The Government of India has introduced the e-TOURIST VISA (eTV) scheme for UK nationals travelling to India. All guests travelling under this scheme must carry a printed copy of the approved eTV for verification at the check-in counter prior to boarding.

**WSZZ/Singapore** the CAAS has issued 2 AIP supplements outlining the upcoming military exercise Bersama Shield 16. AIP SUP 40-16 covers Kuala Lumpur and Singapore FIR airspace restrictions and AIP SUP 41-16 covers additional Singapore FIR airspace restrictions. The exercise will be running from 21APR to 28APR.

**HSZZ/South Sudan** The UK FCO has issued a travel warning against travel to South Sudan and in particular to Juba due to the return of the First Vice President as "tensions and disturbances" may increase across the country in the coming weeks.

**FNZZ/Angola** The CDC has upgraded the yellow fever in Luanda Province to an Alert Level 2. The government of Angola requires all travellers older than 9 months to show proof of yellow fever vaccination on arrival. In addition, CDC recommends that all travellers aged 9 months or older be vaccinated against yellow fever.

**DNMM/Lagos** a new protocol issued by customs and immigration officials is causing congestion in the arrival hall. There are 2 forms being given to passengers only once they enter the arrival processing area. Please ask your handler if these forms can be provided ahead of time.

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# Monday Briefing: Russian overflights of Ukraine now prohibited, EUR: TCAS 7.1 Compulsory

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**All Russian overflights of Ukraine now prohibited** 29NOV In a development of the dispute between Russia and Ukraine regarding traffic between the two countries, Ukraine has extended the original ban (which affected specific Russian Airline only) to all Russian registered Aircraft Operators. Notam 2604/15 issued last Wednesday has the specifics.

**EUR: TCAS 7.1 Compulsory** 01DEC The EASA Mandate for compulsory carriage of TCAS version 7.1 (with changes to "Adjust Vertical Speed" RA and resolution of "Reversal RA" problems) is 01DEC. All operators must have 7.1 on board. Note that this applies also to EU Territories abroad, eg. New Caledonia, Tahiti.

**OYSC/Sanaa FIR** We've received input from a number of US Airlines that although Yemeni landmass airspace is prohibited, operations through the OYSC/Sanaa FIR Oceanic portion are available in accordance with FDC5/5575.

**NZAA/Auckland** is closed every Monday morning 0130-0430LT for runway maintenance. However, Robin Leach at Air Centre One notes that several aircraft have departed for Auckland with an arrival time during this period resulting in airborne holding. Part of the issue is that a NOTAM is only issued if the work is cancelled; otherwise the (hard to spot) AIP/IFG notes for Auckland apply.

**ZBAA/Beijing** Chinese Authorities have issued an 'orange level' alert for smog on Sunday, with reports that visibility in places is down to a few hundred feet. This alert requires industrial plants to reduce or shut down production. With the current temperatures, Freezing Fog is affecting operations at Beijing Airports.

**North Atlantic** First day with the new NAT Tracks structure will be 01DEC per advice from NATS and Nav Canada, reporting that previous IT issues with the new tracks have been resolved.

**Spain** The National AFTN COM Centre is out of action for a few hours on Monday night (after 2100Z), meaning that FPL filing and other AFTN based messaging will be affected for Airports in Spain and the Canary Islands.

**Bermuda** Transatlantic Operators should note in addition to the new track structure on 01DEC, that Bermuda will be without radar coverage for the afternoon (1200Z-1600Z), and the National Authority there is recommending to avoid Bermuda airspace. A limited non-radar service will be provided, and only airways L459, 461, and 462 are useable if you do overfly. Refer to KZFY A0461/15 for more.

**EINN/Shannon** is again closed for maintenance this Monday night 01DEC, 2145Z-0500Z; use alternate diversion alternates!

**EGLL/London Heathrow** has a high risk of regulation for Mon, Nov 30th from 0540-2200Z due to strong winds. Please plan fuel accordingly for possible airborne delays.

**HLLL/Libya FIR** Due to the recent escalation of the Libyan Crisis all Italian aircraft operators have been prohibited from flying through HLLL FIR. Prior Permission to operate into HL available aerodromes also requires Prior Permission by the Libyan CAA. REF NOTAM A8382/15 which replaced A5637/15.

**LFRR/Brest FIR** Training and stepped implementation of the ERATO paperless strip system in Brest FIR commenced on 24NOV and will last until 18DEC with significant capacity reductions. A transition period with capacity reductions will follow from 19DEC; this may potentially extend into Summer 2016. Moderate and (in some case) high delays may be expected daily, depending on the sector configuration provided.

**LTxx/Turkey** In response to the downing of a Russian Fighter Jet, Russia will be suspending the Visa-Free Travel program between the countries effective 01JAN2016.

**VICG/Changigarh** The new Chandigarh international airport which was originally scheduled to close for runway resurfacing which was estimated to take approx a year will in fact now remain open during the construction. Work to resurface the runway will take place without disturbing the flight operations there.

**EIDW/Dublin** The DAA and IAA are currently exploring a further reduction in SID separation to 75 seconds (following aircraft given take-off clearance when preceding aircraft reaches 1NM past DER). Ongoing AIM is to reduce further to 60 seconds if possible.

**MKJS/Montego Bay** The operator of Sangster International Airport, MBJ Airports Limited, Announced that, effective 24NOV, electronic boarding passes will be accepted as part of the security screening process.

**DNxx/Nigeria** The Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority, NCAA, suspended some oil marketers from supplying Jet A1 to airlines due to a lack of depot facilities. The affected marketing companies include Jushad Oil and Gas Limited, Lubcon Limited, Ascon Oil Company Limited, Acon Petroleum Limited and Star Orient Aviation Limited.

**FQNC/Nacala,Mozambique** Mozambique's airport management company AdM stated on 24 November 2015 that Nacala Airport is expected to receive the proper certification to service international flights by December 2015. International airlines can begin using the facility by March or April 2016. Nacala Airport was a former military airbase and it opened as a civilian facility in December 2014. However, to date, the airport has only been permitted to service domestic flights.

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