

# Zimbabwe Coup - Airport update

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**FVZZ/Zimbabwe** (Don't fly here) There's a coup happening, watch live on CNN.

FVZA/Harare is operating, but the usual coup-style stuff is going on – lots of soldiers at the airport, checkpoints on the way in, and journalists being denied entry on arriving flights.

The city has tanks on the streets. President under house arrest.

FVZA was renamed last week from Harare International Airport to Robert Mugabe International, this might be swiftly reversed.

Both UK and US embassies are advising people to shelter in place until the situation becomes clear.

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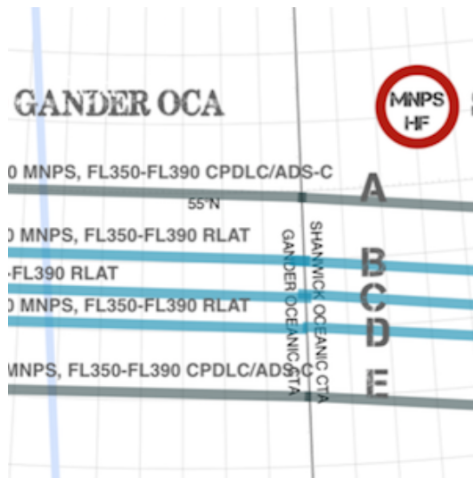
## Midweek Briefing: NAT changes postponed, Matthew Airport Update

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**NAT changes postponed** 05OCT Phase 2 of Reduced Separation on the North Atlantic NAT Tracks will not go ahead as planned, slowing down the rate of change in the NAT region. Read the article.

**Matthew: Airport Update** 05OCT The next 24 hours will dictate the impact that Hurricane Matthew will have on Florida, as it leaves Cuba and begins to track north through the Bahamas. Airports Update: for Haiti, MTPP/Port-au-Prince ... Read the article.

**DGAA/Accra, Ghana** has a radar outage until Oct 19th in the southern area.

**EGKK/London Gatwick** has a Runway Occupancy Trial starting on 08OCT, all medium and large aircraft (A319 upwards) should plan to vacate at FR. Smaller aircraft vacate at E.

**ENGM/Oslo** has a fueler strike – plan to carry return fuel to avoid issues, until 10OCT at least.

**OAZZ/Afghanistan** Security reminder from Kabul: serious threats to safety and security exist in the city of Kabul and throughout Afghanistan. The threat of kidnapping is high. The potential also exists for protests to occur in Afghan cities at short notice. Militant groups usually plan attacks against locations and individuals with potential American connections, including: Afghan and U.S. government facilities, foreign embassies, military installations, commercial entities, non-governmental organization offices, restaurants, hotels, airports, and educational centers. Travel to all areas of Afghanistan remains unsafe due to the ongoing risk of kidnapping, hostage taking, military combat operations, landmines, banditry, armed rivalry between political and tribal groups, militant attacks, direct and indirect fire, suicide bombings, and insurgent attacks, including attacks using vehicle-borne or other improvised explosive devices.

**MYZZ/Bahamas** all Airports closed due to Hurricane Matthew with effect today until 1900Z on 07OCT.

**YMHB/Hobart** is extending the 12/30 runway, see AIC H30/16 for impact information.

**FEFF/Bangui** has an overnight airport curfew from 2200-0500Z until the end of the year.

**DIAP/Ivory Coast** It's now possible to apply for a visa online; after registering and paying online, you can collect the visa on arrival at Abidjan airport.

**LTZZ/Turkey** The state of emergency will officially be extended until January 2017. The announcement

came after a Cabinet meeting; President Recep Tayyip Erdogan has also supported the extension. The state of emergency was put in place on 20 July following the 15 July attempted coup.

**Typhoon Chaba** While many eyes are on Hurricane Matthew, on the other side of the world Chaba is tracking north towards Japan after strongly impacting South Korea, however the system is weakening.

**BIZZ/Iceland** Volcano Katla downgraded to colour code Green, after last weeks concerns of elevated activity.

**HAAB/Addis Ababa** There are reports of anti-government protests taking place on the outskirts of Addis Ababa on Oct 4th. Unconfirmed reports indicate that protesters are attacking government property in the Akaki, Alem Gena, Burayu, Sebeta, Keta and Ayer Tena areas and that police officers have been deployed to the affected locations. Meanwhile, in the city center, shops have reportedly closed and there have been isolated reports of gunfire. Transportation to and from the affected areas has shut down.

**LGZZ/Greece** Greek trade unions have announced strike action that is expected to cause disruption to a number of domestic flights between 4 October and 8 October.

**FVZZ/Zimbabwe** The UNIVISA system has been suspended. If travelling between Zimbabwe and Zambia more than once either way, you should get a double entry visa; due to the ongoing cash liquidity crisis, authorities have announced a series of measures designed to stem the flow of US dollars out of the country; take sufficient cash to cover your needs for the duration of your travel.

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