



Safety Information Bulletin

CAAS SIB No.	2015-12 R18
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Subject	Safety of civil aircraft operating in Baghdad, Damascus and Tehran FIRs
Ref. Publication(s)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) ICAO State Letter SL 2015-075e - Safety of civil aircraft operating in Baghdad, Damascus and Tehran FIRs 2) EASA SIB No.: 2015-22 - Caspian Sea, Iran and Iraq Airspace – Launch of Missiles from Caspian Sea to Syria 3) CAAS SIB 2015-03 R1 - Safety of civil aircraft operating in Baghdad FIR 4) EASA CZIB No.: 2017-03R9 – Airspace of Syria, Damascus 5) EASA CZIB No.: 2017-04R9 – Airspace of Iraq 6) FAA KICZ NOTAM A0002/20 - Tehran (OIIX) FIR 7) FAA KICZ NOTAM A0036/20 – Baghdad (ORBB) FIR 8) FAA KICZ NOTAM A0025/18 – Advisory for Syria, Damascus (OSTT) FIR 9) FAA Special Federal Aviation Regulations (SFAR) 77 & 114
Purpose	This SIB is revised to update reference publication EASA CZIB No.: 2017-03R9 – Airspace of Syria & EASA CZIB No.: 2017-04R9 – Airspace of Iraq, both dated 29 April 2022
Applicability	All Singapore Air Operator Certificate (AOC) Holders
Cancellation	This SIB supersedes the previous SIB dated 17 March 2020 on this subject.
Description	<p>EASA CZIB No.: 2017-03R9 (for Syria) assesses that due to the remaining hazardous security situation, with the presence of terrorist organisations and ongoing military operations, there is a risk of both intentional targeting and misidentification of civil aircraft. The presence of a wide range of ground-to-ground and dedicated anti-aviation weaponry poses a HIGH risk to operations at all flight altitudes.</p> <p>EASA CZIB No.: 2017-04R9 (for Iraq) assesses that due to the remaining hazardous security situation, with the presence of terrorist organisations and ongoing military operations, there is a</p>

risk of both intentional targeting and misidentification of civil aircraft. The presence of a wide range of ground-to-ground and dedicated anti-aviation weaponry poses a HIGH risk to operations at all flight altitudes, except for airways UM688, UM860 and UL602 (between TASMI and GADSI) at altitudes at or above FL320.

Operators should monitor and follow the latest operational information issued by the relevant authorities on 'Closures and Warnings' by means of NOTAMs or AICs/AIPs

Due to the potentially hazardous situation, CAAS draws AOC holders' attention to the potential existence of serious risks to the operational safety of international civil flights within the affected FIRs.

Recommendation(s) **PROHIBIT flight operations in Syrian airspace within Damascus FIR (OSTT). RESTRICTED flight operations in Iraq airspace within Baghdad FIR (ORBB).**

Singapore AOC holders are strongly urged to use this, and any other pertinent information, to assess flight safety risks in the Baghdad, Damascus and Tehran FIRs. Singapore AOC holders are also encouraged to contact their respective Principal Operations Inspectors (POIs) to share any additional information regarding the threat and risk to safety and security of civil aviation.

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