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# INFORMATION TO PRIVATE AIRCRAFT OPERATORS / OWNERS - SUBMISSION OF CERTIFICATE OF AIRWORTHINESS (CoA) TO CAAS

#### Introduction

1 With increasing number of incidents involving foreign aircraft conducting private operations, CAAS has reviewed and determined that there is a greater need to enhance the existing regulatory framework which has focused mainly on Public Transport.

2 Under the Chicago Convention articles, there are specific requirements for every aircraft to comply with when operating internationally and they are as follows:

- Article 29 of the ICAO Chicago Convention document 7300 states that "Every aircraft of a contracting State, engaged in international navigation, shall carry the following documents in conformity with the conditions prescribed in this Convention
  - a. Its certificate of registration;
  - b. Its certificate of airworthiness:
  - c. The appropriate licences for each member of the crew;
  - d. Its journey log book;
  - e. If it is equipped with radio apparatus, the aircraft radio station licence;
  - f. If it carries passengers, a list of their names and places of embarkation and destination;
  - g. If it carries cargo, a manifest and detailed declarations of the cargo.
- ii. Article 31 of the ICAO Chicago Convention document 7300 states that "Every aircraft engaged in international navigation shall be provided with a certificate of airworthiness issued or rendered valid by the State in which it is registered."
- 3 The ICAO Annex 6 Part II Paragraph 2.2.3.1 requires the pilot-in-command to ensure that the appropriate certificates are on board the aircraft before flight. In addition, Paragraph 2.6.1.1 states that the owner has to make sure the aircraft is maintained in an airworthy condition, and the Certificate of Airworthiness remains valid. As guided by Paragraph 2.1.1.1, the pilot-in-command has to comply with the laws, regulations of those States in which operations are conducted.
- 4 Operators, aircraft owners or pilot-in-command should also note that Singapore's Air Navigation Order (ANO) Paragraph 6 states that "An aircraft shall not fly unless there is in force in respect thereof a Certificate of Airworthiness duly issued or rendered valid under the law of the country in which the aircraft is registered or under the law of the State of the operator, and any conditions subject to which the certificate was issued or rendered valid are complied with.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Industry consultation was conducted between 1 September 2016 and 14 October 2016. Responses from CAAS to the comments were promulgated on 21 November 2016.

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5 To demonstrate compliance with the ANO, all foreign aircraft conducting private operations are required to, upon landing in Singapore, submit the Certificate of Airworthiness to CAAS for verification with effect from 2 March 2017.

#### **Submission of Certificate of Airworthiness to CAAS**

6 The Certificate of Airworthiness shall be submitted to CAAS by the aircraft owner / operator or by the ground handling agent via email to CAAS AFO FOS@caas.gov.sg or via fax to +65 6545 6519.

7 For foreign aircraft that conducts more frequent private operations to Singapore, CAAS might consider reviewing the need for the aircraft to submit its Certificate of Airworthiness for every landing to a frequency to be determined based on CAAS' assessment of the level of confidence in the aircraft.

## **Unannounced Ramp Inspection**

8 CAAS will be conducting periodic unannounced ramp inspections to verify the authenticity of the Certificate of Airworthiness that was submitted and of the aircraft condition. Please refer to Information Circular IC 09-2014 – Foreign Aircraft Ramp Inspection - Information to Aircraft Operator for further details of the ramp inspection.

9 Should an aircraft be found without the required documents including a valid Certificate of Airworthiness or Permit to Fly issued by CAAS, enforcement actions will be taken immediately.

### Aircraft requiring a Permit to Fly from CAAS

10 Aircraft that requires a Permit-to-Fly from CAAS are to ensure that approval has been granted prior to conducting a flight to and from Singapore. The application form can be downloaded at

http://www.caas.gov.sg/caas/en/About CAAS/Our Strategic Thrusts/Safety Oversight x Promotion/Applying for a permit to fly.html

- 11 The application form and the required documents listed must be submitted at least 5 working days before the intended date of operation.
- 12 Should you have any enquiries, please email to: caas afo infocenter@caas.gov.sg

#### Cancellation

13 This AIC supersedes AIC 01/2017 dated 02 February 2017.