

Circular for the transport of Cargo in Passenger Aircraft

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Subject: - Revoking / cancellation of Circular

Reference: - Circular for the transport of Cargo in Passenger Aircraft issue 10 August 2020

revision 02

Background:

In order to facilitate the continuation of air cargo services, which is vital for fighting the COVID-19 crisis, it is essential for the air cargo services not to be disrupted so that critical cargo supplies such as food and medical supplies (e.g. masks, gloves, clothing, etc.) can be delivered. Due to the increase in demand for the transport of air cargo, currently, underutilized passenger aircraft are increasingly needed to fly the mentioned type of cargo.

Requirements:

All operators shall coordinate the carriage and stowage of Cargo in passenger cabin with the CAA Flight Safety Department, ensuring the requirements of CAR-OPS 1.270, Appendix 1 to CAR-OPS 1.270 and AMC OPS 1.270 are complied with or as deemed necessary by CAA in the interest of aviation safety. (Civil Aviation Law Chapter II Competent Authority Article (4). Operators repurposing of passenger compartments to load cargo either on the passenger seats or by removing passenger seats shall require appropriate airworthiness approval from Civil Aviation Authority in line with guidelines from Design Approval Holders / Original Equipment Manufacturer to support the request for approval of repurposing of aircraft passenger cabin for the transport of cargo. This type of approval shall be issued for a limited period of time but subject to reassessment for new request as required by operator depending on the aviation situation on Covid 19 pandemic in the country

Conclusion:

The Director General of Civil Aviation Regulation (DGCAR) hereby officially revokes/cancels the Circular for the transport of Cargo in Passenger Aircraft issued 10 August 2020 revision 02 (initially issued 08 April 2020) requiring the approval of an Exemption. The above mentioned requirements are now to be complied with.

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