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To	:	All UAE Operators and DCAs
From	:	Director General
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Subject	:	**Modification/Strengthening of Flight Crew Compartment Door**

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1. Reference is made to ICAO Annex 6, Part 1, Chapter 13, Paragraph 13.2.2 which states that:

   From 1 November 2003, all passenger-carrying aeroplanes of a maximum certificated take-off mass in excess of 45 500 kg or with a passenger seating capacity greater than 60 shall be equipped with an approved flight crew compartment door that is designed to resist penetration by small arms fire and grenade shrapnel, and to resist forcible intrusions by unauthorized persons. This door shall be capable or being locked and unlocked from either pilot's station.

2. It has been brought to our attention that in too many cases the numbers of aircraft requiring modification together with the problem of availability of modification kits as well as the time required to effect the modifications is presenting airlines an impossible task to accomplish in the time allowed.

Given the foregoing, a GCAA Waiver (29/2003) is granted extending the required modification date specified in UAE CARs Part VII, Section 3, paragraph 3.52, from 1st November 2003 to 1st November 2004.

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