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SUBJECT : AVIATION ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY (ELP)
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PURPOSE

This Information Bulletin (IB) is being released to remind all Training Organizations, Operators, Flight Crews and Air Traffic Controllers, that as of March 4th 2011, any Flight Crew and Air Traffic Controllers who have not attained at least an Operational Level (Level 4) of English will no longer be permitted to exercise the privileges of their license until such time as they have attained at least an Operational Level (Level 4) of English.

The demonstration of the ability to speak and understand the language used for radiotelephony communication shall be done in accordance with the holistic descriptors (Appendix to Annex 1) and the rating scale (Attachment to Annex 1). Those individuals demonstrating language proficiency below the Expert Level (Level 6) will be formally re-evaluated at intervals in accordance with their individual proficiency level. ICAO recommends that the interval be 6 years for those at the Extended Level (Level 5) and 3 years for those at the Operational Level (Level 4). Additional guidance can be found in ICAO Doc 9835 and UAE GCAA CAAP 4.

Best Regards,


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