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SUBJECT:

GUIDANCE ON BASING A FOREIGN REGISTERED AIRCRAFT, FOR COMMERCIAL AIR TRANSPORT (CAT), IN THE UAE

REFERENCE PUBLICATIONS:

UAE GCAA CAR PART IV, FOREIGN OPERATORS REGULATION (FOR), DEFINITIONS, BASING
UAE GCAA CAR PART IV, FOREIGN OPERATORS REGULATION (FOR), SECTION NOC, FOR.NOC.010
UAE AIP GEN 1.2.14

REASON:

This Information Bulletin is issued to elaborate and provide guidance on the current requirement prescribed by CAR.FOR.NOC.010, which allows a foreign registered aircraft to be based in the territory of the UAE, if the foreign aircraft operator is under a certification process for a UAE AOC.

Note 1: UAE GCAA CAR PART IV FOR, does not apply to a foreign registered aircraft that is included in the Ops Specs of a UAE AOC Holder. Such aircraft must be addressed under the applicable CAR-OPS.

INFORMATION TOPICS:

As per CAR.FOR.NOC.010, a foreign aircraft operator may be allowed to base, in the territory of the UAE, a foreign registered aircraft engaged in Commercial Air Transport (CAT) operations after the GCAA has issued an NOC. Such NOC may be granted under the following circumstances:

A foreign aircraft operator may be allowed to base a foreign registered aircraft for Commercial Air Transport (CAT), in the territory of the UAE after the GCAA has issued an NOC. An NOC may be granted to the foreign aircraft operator, and can be renewed:

1. written consent shall be obtained from the responsible entity of the respective Emirate where the aircraft is intended to be based, as required by Application Form FAF-BAS-001
2. Initial NOC will be issued for a period of six [6] months. This six [6] months period has been assigned to facilitate the intent of an operator, to commence CAT operations using a foreign registered aircraft and to conduct a market review in the UAE. The Operator must provide the UAE GCAA with a **Letter of Intent** as a supporting attachment which as a minimum states, "Operator [insert Operator name] hereby declares the intent to base operations of aircraft registration(s)



[insert aircraft registration number(s)] in the UAE for six months, to assess the feasibility of their operations in UAE....”

3. First Renewal of NOC will be issued for a period of six [6] months, on the condition that the operator will initiate an AOC application with the UAE GCAA¹, within the duration of the renewed NOC. The Operator must provide the UAE GCAA with a **Letter of Assurance**, as a supporting attachment which as a minimum states, “Operator [insert Operator name] hereby assures that a UAE AOC application process will be initiated within the duration of the renewed NOC....”
4. Second Renewal of NOC will be issued for a period of twelve [12] months, to allow the operator to complete the UAE AOC application process. The Operator must provide the UAE GCAA with a **Letter of Confirmation** as a supporting attachment which as a minimum states, “Operator [insert Operator name] confirms that a UAE AOC formal application with reference [insert reference number] has been initiated on [insert date]....”

Note 2: Letter of Intent, Assurance and/or Confirmation shall be submitted, as a supporting attachment to Application Form FAF-BAS-001² [Application – Basing of Foreign Commercial Aircraft in UAE] > E. Documents Required > 7. Letter requesting Basing from the Operator.

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¹ Refer to CAAP 08 for guidance on UAE AOC Application process.

² Published on the UAE GCAA Website > Downloads > Safety Affairs > Forms > Foreign Operators (FAF) > FAF-BAS-001.