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### SUBJECT:

GCAA POSITION - UNITED KINGDOM'S EXIT FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION WITHOUT A DEAL (HARD BREXIT)

### REFERENCE PUBLICATIONS:

N/A

### BACKGROUND:

The United Kingdom (UK) will imminently leave the European Union and may no longer be an EASA Member State. The GCAA uses the EASA organisational approvals issued to UK based organisations as a basis for issuing its approval to such organisations.

This IB is issued to elaborate the GCAA position for such organisations in case of hard Brexit.

### INFORMATION:

1. Currently, a significant number of EASA approved organisations located in the UK hold GCAA approvals based on EASA approvals. These GCAA and EASA approvals would be deemed invalid following a no-deal withdrawal of the UK from the EU and the consequent exit from the EASA system.
2. Effective 27 March 2019, the European Commission has adopted a proposal to extend for nine months the validity of the following certificates, issued by EASA to natural or legal persons having their Principal Place of Business in the UK:
  - Type Certificates and Restricted Type Certificates,
  - Approval of changes to Type Certificates and Restricted Type Certificates,
  - Supplemental Type Certificates,
  - Repair approvals,
  - ETSO authorisations,
  - Design Organisation Approvals.
3. The UK CAA has indicated all EU regulations applicable at the point of UK's exit from the EU would be retained. Additionally, their regulations, systems, oversight and approvals should continue to comply with ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs).



In light of the above information, the GCAA will align its policy to EU's proposal mentioned under point 2). Therefore, GCAA's approvals issued under the basis of current UK issued Part 145 and Part 21 Subpart G approvals will also remain valid until the expiration of the nine month period. Additionally, UK organisations applying for new approvals or extensions of their GCAA approval during the nine month interim period will have their applications assessed on a case by case basis.

The GCAA position on the acceptance of organisations approved by the UK CAA after the nine month period will be determined and communicated in due course.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:**

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