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Concerning individuals using Third Country Licences for Non-Commercial Flights in Aircraft Registered in a Third Country and individuals using Third Country Licences for Non-Commercial Flights in Aircraft Registered in the United Kingdom

This Information Notice contains information that is for guidance and/or awareness.

Recipients are asked to ensure that this Information Notice is copied to all members of their staff who may have an interest in the information (including any 'in-house' or contracted maintenance organisations and relevant outside contractors).

Applicability:	
Aerodromes:	Not primarily affected
Air Traffic:	Not primarily affected
Airspace:	Not primarily affected
Airworthiness:	Not primarily affected
Flight Operations:	All Aircraft Owners permitting their aircraft to be used by Third Country Licence Holders, All Third Country Operators, with aircraft based within the United Kingdom
Licensed/Unlicensed Personnel:	All Third Country Licence Holders not involved in operating commercial flights

1 Introduction

- 1.1 This IN is intended to notify publication of ORS4 No. 1163 "UK Licence Validation Requirements for Holders of ICAO Annex 1 Flight Crew Licences" which provides a general exemption from the requirements of Annex III to Regulation (EU) No. 1178/2011.
- 1.2 Due to pressure on the EU legislative programme, there has been a delay in the actions necessary to permit the UK CAA to extend the derogation from Annex III to Commission Regulation (EU) No. 1178/2011, which expires on 8 April 2016. The UK has therefore issued a general exemption, under Article 14(4) of Regulation (EC) No. 216/2008 for the period 8 April – 7 May 2016, in the terms outlined below. After this period, European Legislation will be in place permitting the UK to derogate from Annex III to Commission Regulation (EU) No. 1178/2011 into 2017.

2 Scope

- 2.1 The Civil Aviation Authority, on behalf of the United Kingdom, pursuant to article 14(4) of Regulation (EC) No. 216/2008, has exempted any holder of a pilot licence issued by a third country in compliance with the requirements of Annex 1 to the Chicago Convention who

intends to operate a non-commercial flight in an aircraft registered in a Third Country from the requirements of paragraph A of Annex III to Commission Regulation (EU) No. 1178/2011.

- 2.2 The Civil Aviation Authority, on behalf of the United Kingdom, pursuant to article 14(4) of Regulation (EC) No. 216/2008, has also exempted any holder of a pilot licence issued by a third country in compliance with the requirements of Annex 1 to the Chicago Convention who intends to operate a non-commercial flight in an aircraft registered in the United Kingdom, from the requirements of paragraph A of Annex III to Commission Regulation (EU) No. 1178/2011.
- 2.3 The exemptions outlined at 2.1 and 2.2 above are restricted to UK airspace. Individuals and operators are responsible for ensuring that, if a flight will enter non-UK airspace, the competent authority for that airspace has enacted provisions which ensure that the flight will be legal. The Exemption is published as part of the Civil Aviation Authority's Official Record Series 4, "UK Licence Validation Requirements for Holders of ICAO Annex 1 Flight Crew Licences", dated 8 April 2016.

3 Queries

- 3.1 Any queries or requests for further guidance as a result of this communication should be addressed to:

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4 Cancellation

- 4.1 This Information Notice will remain in force until 7 May 2016.