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Subject – Implementation of the 7th Edition of Annex 6 Part II

Issue

The Seventh Edition of Annex 6 Part II became applicable on November 18, 2010. That edition introduces a number of new requirements for the non-commercial operation of large or turbojet aeroplanes including:

- operations manual,
- operational control system,
- fatigue countermeasures program,
- Minimum Equipment List where an Master Minimum Equipment List has been established for the aircraft,
- aircraft maintenance program,
- flight crew training program, and
- operator safety management system (SMS).

Discussion

While many civil aviation authorities are expected to incorporate this requirement into their aviation regulations over the next few years, some have indicated that they will be applying the requirement in the near future. Most of the British Overseas Territories have been applying these requirements to aircraft on their Registry and the Bermuda Department of Civil Aviation has issued a notice that they will be applying the requirement to visiting aircraft effective April 1, 2011. In a related notice they have specified a number of ways to meet the SMS requirement including IS-BAO registration or a demonstration of intent to implement an SMS. This is consistent with Chapter 10 of the ICAO *Safety Management Manual* which recognizes that it takes operators time to develop and implement an appropriate and effective SMS, and describes three phases to the implementation process.

Action

When operating internationally, operators should be aware of the requirements of Annex 6 Part II and when visiting Bermuda should be prepared to demonstrate compliance. More information on the issue can be found in IS-BAO Policy 2010-06 which is posted at http://www.ibac.org/is_bao/policies.

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