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GUIDANCE AND PROCEDURES FOR REVIEW OF FLIGHT CLEARANCE

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1.0 PURPOSE

This Chapter is issued to provide guidance and information for the airworthiness inspectors for review of flight clearance for non-scheduled flights into, within and out of Nigeria including technical stops.

2.0 REFERENCES

2.1 Part 8 of the Nigeria Civil Aviation Regulations.

2.2 Part 18 of the Nigeria Civil Aviation Regulations

3.0 GUIDANCE AND PROCEDURES

3.1 General

Article 33 of the Convention on International Civil Aviation requires Contracting States to recognize certificates issued by another Contracting State provided that the requirements under which such certificates or licences were issued or rendered valid are equal to or above the minimum standards which may be established from time to time pursuant to the Convention.

Article 39 and 40 permit endorsement on airworthiness certificate that does not meet the international standards of airworthiness and requires the holder of such certificate to obtain permission from the State when passing through their territory.

Applications for flight clearance are submitted to Directorate of Air Transport Regulations (DATR) and are then forwarded to the Directorate of Airworthiness Standards (DAWS) for review of the attached technical documents.

Airworthiness Inspector reviewing application for flight clearance shall be guided by the following

3.2 What to CHECK for:

1. A valid Standard Certificate or Airworthiness (C of A) Special Airworthiness Certificate
2. Aircraft Certificate of Registration (C of R)
3. A valid Insurance Certificate

Note:

1. For private category foreign registered aircraft operating in Nigeria for more than seven (7) days, a copy of valid Maintenance Clearance Certificate (MCC) and Flight Operations Clearance Certificate (FOCC) must be attached in addition to the State of Registry issued C of R and standard C of A.
2. For EASA States registered aircraft, a copy of valid Airworthiness Review Certificate (ARC) must be attached to the Standard Certificate of Airworthiness (C of A).
3. Certificate of Aircraft Registration for Aircraft registered in the United States of America with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) should have expiry dates of three (3) years from the date of issue/reissue.
4. Russian/Ukraine made aircraft not registered and operated by an operator registered in Russia and Ukraine should be brought to the attention of DG and D A W S .
5. Air carriers from States with Significant Safety Concerns (SSCs) from ICAO USOAP Audit Report may not be granted flight clearance and should be brought to the attention of the DAWS. The list of States with SSCs can be obtained from ICAO FSIX website or the General Manager, ASA.

4.0 FLIGHT CLEARANCE FOR FOREIGN REGISTERED AIRCRAFT WITH SPECIAL AIRWORTHINESS CERTIFICATE

Flight Clearances to Foreign registered aircraft with Special Airworthiness Certificate such as Special Flight Permit, Experimental or Restricted will be granted in similar manner to the normal flight clearance. The holder of the Special Flight Permit must submit a Certificate of Fitness for Flight or a similar maintenance attestation.