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AIRCRAFT ENTRY, TRANSIT AND DEPARTURE WITHIN GABORONE FLIGHT INFORMATION REGION (FIR)

Observations reveal increasing numbers of aircraft including state aircraft in the military category and those others who should be subjected to diplomatic clearances, entering Gaborone FIR without prior fulfillment of the requirements.

This circular is issued for general information and guidance of all concerned in order to eliminate the continuing airspace violation.

1. Entry, Transit and Departure

1.1 The requirements for civil international flights into, from or over Botswana territory are subjected to the provisions of the current Botswana Civil Aviation regulations as specified in Botswana Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP) **GEN 1.2-1** to **GEN 1.4-1**

2. Entry and Transit of Foreign Military Aircraft

2.1 Flights under this category must request entry and/or transit clearance from the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of International Affairs and Cooperation, P/Bag 00368 Gaborone Fax (+267) 3973067 or e-mail mmohurutshe@gov.bw (Secretary in the Department of Protocol and Consular Services)

2.1.2 Applications should be made by letters or faxes and must reach the Permanent Secretary at least seven (7) days prior to the date of intended flight.

2.1.3 The applications must contain the following particulars:-

- (a) Name and address of operator;
- (b) Type of aircraft and registration marks;
- (c) Date of flight and place of origin;
- (d) Complete routing of aircraft with entry and exit points including dates and times in UTC;
- (e) Number and details of all persons intended to be on board the aircraft;
- (f) Full details of freight to be off - loaded or uplifted from Botswana.

3. Entry and Transit of Foreign Diplomatic Flights

3.1 These flights should obtain prior diplomatic clearances from the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, P/Bag 00368 Gaborone, Botswana.

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3.1.1 The format of requests should also be in conformity to the specifications on para 2.1.3 above.

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