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Referenced publication(s):

- United Kingdom AIP ENR 1.1 Section 1.4 issued 16 June 2022 (see Appendix 1)
- AIC France Circular A 24/22 issued on 24 November 2022 (see Appendix 2)
- German AIC 12/23 issued on 13 July 2023 (see Appendix 3)

Affected Airspace:

South Sudan airspace, below Flight Level (FL) 250.

Applicability:

Applies to operators

Description:

Following six years of civil war, a ceasefire is currently in place, and has largely held since February 2020. On 4 August 2022, parties to the peace deal agreed to extend it for another 24 months starting in February 2023, when the original deal is expected to expire.

Nevertheless, the security situation remains volatile and despite of the positive developments, there are continuous risks to flight operations safety deriving from possible use of small arms fire, rocket-propelled grenades, anti-aircraft fire, and shoulder-fired MANPADS (man-portable air-defence systems) owned by violent non state actors. Due to the ongoing situation in the region, the airspace is assessed to pose a HIGH risk to operations at altitudes below FL 250. The Agency draws the attention of the aviation community to the above referenced information, copies of which are attached to this CZIB.

Recommendation(s):

EASA recommends air operators not to conduct flights over South Sudan at or below FL 250.

Operators should take this information and any other relevant information into account in their own risk assessments, alongside any available guidance or directions from their national authorities, including information shared through the European Information Sharing and Cooperation Platform on Conflict Zones.

Latest operational information on 'Closures and warnings' issued by means of ICAO State Letters, NOTAMs, AICs/AIPs, EASA CZIB may be found in the [Network Manager NOP Portal](#) (password protected version).

Affected Countries:

South Sudan

Appendix 1

Source: [United Kingdom AIP ENR 1.1 Section 1.4](#)

Security - Hazardous Situation in South Sudan UK registered air operators are advised to take potential risk into account in their risk assessment and routing decisions in FIR KHARTOUM (HSSS) within the territory and airspace of South Sudan below 25,000 FT above ground level (AGL). Potential risk from anti-aircraft weaponry. Contact UK Department for Transport +44 (0)207-082 6639 or +44 (0)207-944 5999 out of hours.

Appendix 2

Source: [AIC France 24/22 issued 24 November 2022](#)

From 09/04/2020 and until further notice, pilots in command of aircraft performing air services mentioned in paragraph 1.1 are requested to maintain at all times a flight level above or equal to FL260 in the part of the KHARTOUM FIR (HSSS) above South Sudan.

Appendix 3

Source: [German AIC 12/23 issued on 13 July 2023](#)

SECURITY - HAZARDOUS SITUATION IN SOUTH SUDAN

Civil German air operators are advised to take potential risk into account in their risk assessment and routing decisions in FIR KHARTOUM (HSSS) within the territory and airspace of South Sudan below FL260. Potential risk from anti-aviation and ground to ground weaponry.
