



GOVERNMENT OF BERMUDA
Ministry of Tourism and Transport

Department of Civil Aviation

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To: All Airline Operators with aircraft registered in Bermuda under Article 83*bis* transfer agreement between the State of Registry and the State of Operator.

Replacement of General Certificates of Validation with alternative documentation.

Background:

Article III of the 83*bis* agreement between Bermuda and Russia, Azerbaijan and Uzbekistan transfers all duties, including oversight and control of all relevant items contained in Annex 1 to the Convention (Personnel Licensing).

The Bermuda Department of Civil Aviation has historically issued block licence validations (titled General Certificates of Validation) to Airlines operating aircraft registered in Bermuda. These documents have been granted with the sole aim of assisting the Airline in any misunderstanding which may occur during a ramp check, where the Inspecting officer is unfamiliar with the protocols of a transfer agreement made under Article 83*bis* of the ICAO Charter.

The United Kingdom (representing Bermuda) has recently informed the Bermuda Department of Civil Aviation that it must desist in issuing such documents forthwith as the responsibility for license issues resides with the Aviation Authorities of the State of the Operator.



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Action:

To enable the Bermuda Department of Civil Aviation to continue to assist the affected Airlines, a new document titled Certificate of Recognition will be issued as a replacement. It is highly recommended that a copy of this document along with a copy of the Article 83*bis* transfer agreement (in English) is carried on each aircraft at all times, and produced on demand when a Ramp check is conducted.

All references to General Certificate of Validation in the Bermuda Fee Schedule now refer to General Certificate of Recognition.

A blank version of the new document follows this letter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Peter Adhemar".

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