



Department
for Transport



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Dear Colleague,

As you will be aware, the United Kingdom will leave the European Union on March 29, 2019. It is the UK government's firm intention to leave the EU with an agreement that serves the best interests of both the UK and the EU.

Nevertheless, an agreement has not yet been ratified by both parties, so the UK is therefore well advanced in preparing contingency plans to ensure continued air connectivity should the agreement not be ratified, and for the CAA to act as the UK's independent regulator after March 29.

Enclosed is a summary document intended to outline for National Aviation Authorities what the UK Government and the UK Civil Aviation Authority would do outside the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) system to maximise continuity and stability for consumers and the aviation and aerospace sectors. The CAA has shared its plans fully with ICAO.

In particular, the document emphasises that:

- All EU regulations applicable at the point of UK's exit from the EU would be retained in UK domestic legislation. The content of UK regulations will be unchanged from EU regulations at March 29 and the CAA will retain its level of oversight.
- The UK would recognise EASA certificates, approvals and licences for use in the UK aviation system and on UK-registered aircraft for up to two years after March 29.
- Services and certificates provided by CAA-approved organisations should continue to be accepted on a global basis as the regulations, systems, oversight and approvals will continue to comply with ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs).

More detailed information is available on the CAA's EU Exit microsite at <https://info.caa.co.uk/eu-exit/> which is regularly updated. You can be alerted to updates by subscribing to the EU exit category in our SkyWise alerting system: [SkyWise.caa.co.uk](https://www.skywise.caa.co.uk/)

The UK Government has also published guidance online <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-governments-preparations-for-a-no-deal-scenario>. This guidance sets out that the UK will act to ensure that as we leave the EU the aviation sector continues to flourish. In particular, we have set out how the UK would ensure continued high standards of aviation security and the provision of high quality air traffic management and air navigation services. Please feel free to distribute this information pack to organisations or individuals who might find it useful.

Yours sincerely,



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