

Civil/Military Cooperation in Uganda

UGANDA- CIVIL/MILITARY CO-OPERATION,INDIA 19TH -20TH

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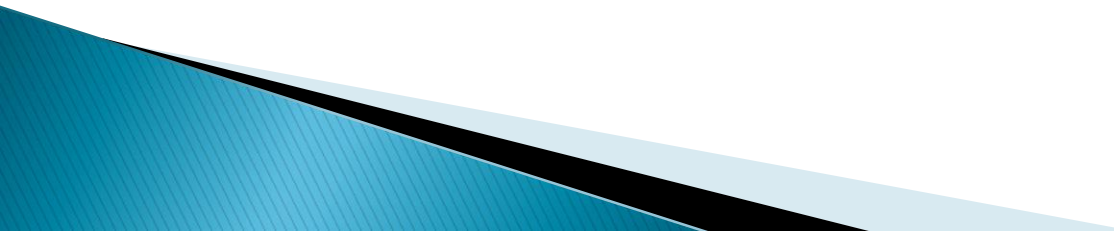
Introduction

- ▶ The history of Civil/Military coordination in Uganda is as old as the existence of the Aviation Industry itself. The creation of Danger Areas, Prohibited & Restricted Areas within the country's Airspace triggered the realization of shared interests and therefore the need to work together.

Structures for information Sharing

- ▶ Meetings:
- ▶ The Civil/Military authorities have developed a mechanism for sharing information and resolving any standing issues through agreed quarterly meetings. They may call an adhoc meeting outside the schedule where need arises for purposes of resolving any sticking issues.
- ▶ Search & Rescue Activities:
- ▶ On matters of Search and Rescue, the Military is mandated to handle as a state responsibility. The success of such an operation largely depends on the good coordination between the military and civil authorities who are charged with managing the countries Aviation matters. Direct contact lines are available to provide timely information to the military for action

Flexible Use of Airspace (FUA)

- ▶ Uganda has a shared Airspace with the Military. The Danger Areas are only activated for purposes of Military Activities for as long as they last and returned for civil use as soon as military exercises are accomplished.
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Sharing knowledge in building a shared Airspace

- ▶ The Civil/Military authorities in Uganda have found it necessary to share knowledge in developing the ever changing needs of Airspace Management by attending Workshops, conferences and trainings jointly. Workshops and conferences so far jointly attended by the Uganda civil/Military include;
- ▶ The AFI Seminar/Workshop on Civil/Military Co-operation, Nairobi 2013
- ▶ Kigali COMESA
- ▶ Meeting of Directors of Civil Aviation and Military Aviation Senior Officials, Khartoum, SUDAN
- ▶ Niamey.....
- ▶ JOINT OPERATIONS: Working positions are jointly shared for maximum benefit in communication and coordination especially when there is need to overfly Restricted and in some cases Prohibited Areas and in handling VVIP activities

TRAINING

- ▶ The civil/Military authorities have decided on standardizing the acquisition of knowledge to match ICAO requirements by attending same institutions and reporting to the same regulator.

Areas of Improvement

- ▶ Uganda being a land locked country and within the Great Lakes region where weather changes around the Airport is largely influenced by the lake, there is need to adjust to the challenges created by this phenomena and develop the Air industry by providing flexible operations in the small country while security remains uncompromised.
 - ▶ **LESSONS LEARNT:** Working together as a team is more rewarding as it creates solutions where misunderstanding would have arisen.
 - ▶ **FUTURE PLANS:** To further strengthen civil military cooperation within the country and extend it to our neighbours.
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Conclusion

- ▶ Considerably Civil Military Cooperation is taking shape in Uganda over the years. Like in many other countries we would encourage any well intended participation by both Civil and Military partners so as to keep abreast with the challenges of managing Airspaces in modern society.
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