ICAO Action

The KAIB safety recommendation has been reviewed by experts in the Air Traffic Management Section of the ICAO Air Navigation Bureau. It is believed that the inclusion of the approach category of the aircraft in the standard ICAO flight plan would serve no useful purpose as ICAO provisions do not authorize air traffic controllers to require flight crew to comply with approach and landing minima. While it is accepted that the approach category, and thus the circling minima, of an aircraft is related to its speed rather than its size, and thus may not be known to the controller, primary responsibility for terrain clearance remains the responsibility of the pilot-in-command.