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BOBCAT Operational Updates

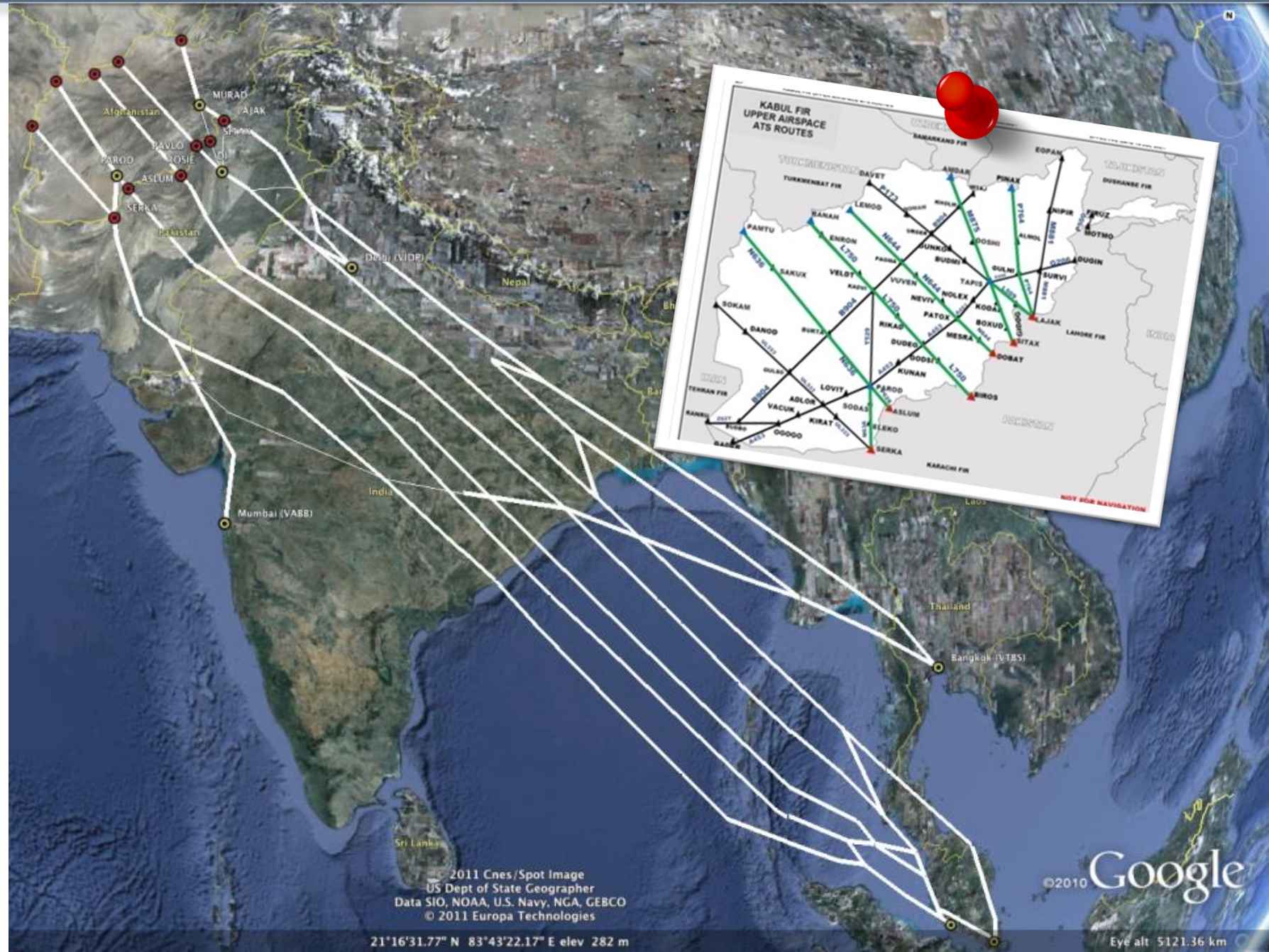
ATFM/SG/14
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Reminder: What is BOBCAT?



Demand-capacity balancing service for westbound traffic over Kabul FIR between 2000 – 2359 UTC, provided by Bangkok ATFMU since 2007





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Reminder: What happened in Aug 2021?

(NewsHub x Flightradar24)

- **August 2021:**
 - Withdrawal of U.S. & coalition forces
 - Suspension of ATS provision over Kabul FIR
 - Activation of Kabul FIR CCT
 - “Zero” overflights since 16 Aug 21



(NBC News)



- **September 2021:**
 - BOBCAT ATFM service suspended

- Process to Resume BOBCAT Service
- Delivery of BOBCAT Slots via AFTN





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of the BOBCAT system



Adjustment of Bangkok ATFMU's
manpower and rostering



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Recommended "Time to Resume Service": 3 – 4 Months

(2) Delivery of BOBCAT Slots via AFTN

New Capability for ALL Flights



-TITLE SAM
-ARCID THA920
-ADEP VTBS
-ADES EDDF
-EOBD 210815
-EOBT 1630
-CTOT 1650
-REGUL BOBCAT
-TAXITIME 0020
-REGCAUSE CE 81



- BOBCAT Slots can now be delivered via
 - BOBCAT webpage,
 - E-Mail,
 - **AFTN Messages (SAM, SRM, SLC)**

- Slot Message Delivery:
 - Upon receipt of FPL, or
 - At 90 minutes before EOBT



- Note the information contained in this paper
- Discuss the latest situation over the Afghanistan airspace
- Discuss the process to resume the BOBCAT service
- Note the BOBCAT system's capability to deliver CTOTs via AFTN
- Discuss any other matter as required

