

## ICAO Action

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In an effort to support and encourage improved risk assessments of conflict zone overflight, a proposed amendment to Annex 17 — *Security — Safeguarding International Civil Aviation against Acts of Unlawful Interference* will include strengthened provisions on timely threat information sharing. It will also cross-reference other ICAO Annex provisions addressing conflict zones. The proposed amendment is envisaged to become applicable in mid-2022.

In addition, ICAO has planned to deliver webinars regarding civil-military cooperation, commencing in 2021. The webinars will provide implementation support for States to manage unusual or complex circumstances involving activities potentially hazardous to civil aircraft. The webinars, targeting both civil and military stakeholders at various levels of seniority, will be based upon recently published ICAO provisions and guidance material relating to civil-military cooperation, including, *inter alia*, Amendment 52 to Annex 11 — *Air Traffic Services*, Amendment 41 to Annex 15 — *Aeronautical Information Services*, and the *Manual on Civil-Military Cooperation in Air Traffic Management* (Doc 10088). State letter SMM1/4-20/110 informed Member States of these initiatives.

Amendment 52 to Annex 11 — *Air Traffic Services*, which resulted from a proposal of the Task Force on Risks to Civil Aviation arising from Conflict Zones, amended the provisions concerning the coordination of activities potentially hazardous to civil aircraft. The amendment, applicable on 5 November 2020, addresses the specific case of ensuring that a safety risk assessment is conducted for such activities. The mentioned provisions require States to establish procedures to enable the organization or unit conducting or identifying activities potentially hazardous to civil aircraft to contribute to the safety risk assessment in order to facilitate consideration of all relevant safety significant factors.

ICAO is of the view that the actions taken would suffice.