



THE EUROPEAN TRAVEL AGENTS'  
AND TOUR OPERATORS' ASSOCIATIONS

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Per e-mail:

President Akis KELEPESHIS  
The Members  
The Members of the Air Matters Committee  
The Members of the Tour Operator Committee  
GEBTA

Brussels, the 27<sup>th</sup> of November 2009

Dear Members,

**Re: Update of the Community black list of carriers**

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Please note that an updated Community black list of unsafe airlines has been published in the Official Journal of the European Community today, which will come into effect on the 28<sup>th</sup> of November 2009.

The changes in the black list concern:

- Djibouti: inclusion of all air carriers certified in Djibouti in annex A (operating ban)
- Republic of Congo: inclusion of all air carriers certified in the Republic of Congo in annex A (operating ban)
- Sao Tome and Principe: inclusion of all air carriers certified in Sao Tome and Principe in annex A (operating ban)
- Ukraine: The carrier Motor Sich has been removed from annex A and the carrier UMAir has been moved from annex A to annex B, which means that the carrier is allowed to resume operations into the Community with certain aircraft types. The competent authorities have removed a significant number of aircrafts from the Ukrainian register. The EAS has instructed the competent authorities to further strengthen their safety oversight of carriers.
- A number of carriers have been removed from annex A because the competent authorities have removed the AOC of those carriers or because the carriers ceased to operate flights.

The Air Safety Committee (EAS) is monitoring the situation on the following carriers and authorities with responsibility for regulatory oversight over air carriers:

- Albanian Airlines MAK: The EAS intends to carry out a standardisation inspection of Albania in early 2010 to monitor the implementation of the applicable safety requirements by the competent authorities and by the carriers under their oversight.

- Egypt Air: Previous ramp inspections by a number of Member States have identified a number of safety deficiencies. The EAS has reviewed the situation and acknowledge the efforts made by Egypt Air to address the safety shortcomings identified and implement the corrective action plan. However, the EAS has instructed the competent authorities of Egypt to continue monitoring the implementation of the action plan and asked the Member States to continue inspections of Egypt Air. The situation will reassessed at the next EAS meeting.
- Yemenia Airways: The EAS acknowledges the efforts deployed by the carrier to correct the identified safety deficiencies in various audits. Member States are invited to continue ramp inspections on the aircraft and EAS will review the situation at the next meeting.

As regards the other carriers and competent authorities included in the black list updated on 13 July 2009, including a number of carriers licensed in Indonesia, the EAS has not taken any decisions as the carriers / competent authorities have failed to respond to the request of the EAS for further information.

The Commission Regulation No 1144/2009 establishing the updated black list of carriers is enclosed hereafter. A copy of the list of blacklisted carriers and aircrafts (annex A and B) is available at:

[http://ec.europa.eu/transport/air-ban/doc/list\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/transport/air-ban/doc/list_en.pdf)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

With best regards,

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