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**NOTIFICATION
FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
INITIAL FLIGHT PLAN VALIDATION PROCESSOR (PROVIP)
(EXTENSION OF TESTING PHASE)**

The Belize Department of Civil aviation hereby informs all commercial, general, military aviation and other users, that the Central American Air Navigation Services Corporation (**COCESNA**) , will be responsible for the Processing of Initial Validation of Flight Plans (**ProVIP**) throughout the Central American Flight Information Region (MHCC FIR).

OBJECTIVE OF THE INITIAL FLIGHT PLAN VALIDATOR PROCESSOR (VIP)

The objective of the Initial Flight Plan Validation Processor (ProVIP) is to ensure the quality of information in all flight plans for aircrafts that land, take off and overfly in the Central American area, through the reception, validation, acceptance and distribution of flight plan data using centralized flight plan processing.

START OF THE TESTING PERIOD

The Initial Flight Plan Validation Processor (ProVIP) test period is extended up to the 6th October, 2021.

All commercial, general and military aviation are requested to continue sending their Flight Plans to the addresses where they are normally sent and to add the **MHFPZYXX** address.

FLIGHT PLANS AT OR ABOVE FL200

The Initial Flight Plan Validation Processor (ProVIP) will be used by Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, for all aircrafts intending to land, depart or overfly the MHCC FIR at or above 20,000 feet (F200). These flight plans are to be sent to the MHFPZYXX address only.

PROCESS OF RECEPTION, VALIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF FLIGHT PLANS

The Initial Flight Plan Validation Processor (ProVIP) Platform is a system that indicates to the originator that their flight plan complies with the ICAO Standards to be validated.

The ProVIP platform will accept flight plans originating from a flight plan generating system and from the electronic Flight Plan (e-FPL) system.

Each Flight Plan that reaches the MHFPZYXX address will either be validated or rejected by the system.

If the Flight Plan is valid, you will receive an ACKNOWLEDGE (ACK) or ACCEPTANCE message. If your message is rejected, you will receive a REJECTED (REJ) or ERROR message.

In the event that your Flight Plan is not valid, the system will send a REJECTED (REJ) message and will indicate the reason for the rejection so that the originator corrects the flight plan and resends it to the MHFPZYX address. The ProVIP will not store information of any flight plan that is rejected.

Once validated, the Flight Plan will be distributed to the State who will transmit it to the different corresponding dependencies. It is the State's right to authorize take-off, landing or overflight in accordance with its internal regulations.

ELECTRONIC FLIGHT PLAN

During the test period the electronic flight plan (e-FPL) format will be available on the COCESNA website. The e-FPL is exclusively for the use of flights departing from a Central American airport that intend to fly to an airport inside or outside the MHCC FIR and in both cases the operation will be above FL200 and when they do not use an automated systems to send flight plans.

The address is <https://cocesna.org/>

Once open look for the CREATE Electronic Flight Plan icon. (On your first entry follow the steps indicated on the page).

When filling out the flight plan, the system will show you if your flight plan complies with ICAO Standards. Once validated, the flight plan will be automatically directed to the only flight plan reception address MHFPZYX.

VALIDATION OF ROUTE FIELD (15)

The Initial Flight Plan Validation Processor (ProVIP) will not validate the flight plan route therefore, it is important that each user fills out field 15 in accordance to ICAO standards.

IFR FLIGHTS AT OR ABOVE FL200

DEPARTURES

1. Start your flight route with a Standard Instrument Departure (SID). **Note: SIDs ends with a Fix.**
2. If you do not have a proposed SID, start with a DCT towards a fix within the TMA.
3. After the Fix, enter the name of the airway or ATS route.

ARRIVALS

1. At the end of the ATS route/last airway, you must follow a fix and the name of a Standard Instrument Arrival (STAR).
2. In the case that a STAR is not used after the last Fix, type the word DCT.

EN ROUTE

1. If while en-route you plan to fly direct, you must always write DCT before or after the Fix.
2. In case you plan to include coordinates, these can be included in the route after a Fix, DCT or another coordinate.

SPECIAL VFR FLIGHTS OR VFR FLIGHTS AT AND ABOVE F200

Such flights are not allowed in airspace within the MHCC FIR.

ESTIMATED ELAPSED TIME (EET) FIELD

For flights entering the MHCC FIR, only flight plans that have EET/MHCC will be accepted. Note that as of January 2019 the name of the Central American FIR MHTG is no longer valid.

ENDURANCE ON BOARD

The system will make the calculations according to ICAO regulations and if it does not comply, the FPL will be rejected.

FLIGHTS THAT LAND IN CENTRAL AMERICA

IF ITS ORIGIN IS FROM ANOTHER AERODROME WITHIN THE MHCC FIR

Users will be able to send their flight plans to the Initial Flight Plan Validation Processor (ProVIP) MHFPZYZX address through the flight plan generating systems or through the Electronic Flight Plan (e-FPL).

FLIGHTS OPERATING BELOW FL200 IN THE MHCC FIR

In the event that the aircraft enters the MHCC FIR, through Class D and F airspace under the jurisdiction of the CENAMER Area Control Center, send the flight plan to all countries where you will overfly, land and add the MHFPZYZX address.

If your flight has the rule Z, but enters the airspace above FL200 you must send your flight plan to the addresses below FL200 that you have always sent and add the MHFPZYZX address, otherwise your flight will not be accepted.

If when airborne, you request to climb to or above FL200, you must inform the ATS unit that has your control to send your initial flight plan to the MHFPZYZX address.

FLIGHTS DEPARTING FROM CENTRAL AMERICA

Users will be able to submit the flight plan through the flight plan generating system or through the electronic flight plan (e-FPL).

The CHG, DLA, CNL, DEP, ARR messages will also be verified.

The flight plan will be verified by Initial Flight Plan Validation Processor in accordance with Appendix 2 of ICAO DOC 4444. You will receive an Acknowledge (ACK) response which indicates that the flight plan will be redistributed to the corresponding State.

OVERFLIGHTS IN CENTRAL AMERICA

Any aircraft that overflies through the MHCC FIR must submit the flight plans to the MHCCZQZX address and add the **MHFPZYZX** address of the Initial Flight Plan Validation Processor.

TEST PERIOD

Once the test period expires, only flight plans on the MHFPZYZX address will be accepted and an AIC will be promulgated indicating this information.

SERVICE PLATFORM

The Central American Air Navigation Services Corporation (COCESNA) will have a User Service Center (SERVICE DESK) enabled for flight plan inquiries to be sent to the COCESNA's email address vipcna@cocesna.org

Feel free to contact the Belize Aeronautical Information Management Office for queries:

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