



AVIATION SAFETY CIRCULAR

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STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE 83 *BIS*

In the exercise of the power and functions conferred under Section 6 of the Civil Aviation Act and Regulation 86 of the Civil Aviation Regulations (Chapter 290), the Director of Civil Aviation, hereby issue this circular regarding the status of the implementation of Article 83 *bis* of the Convention on International Civil Aviation.

Brunei Darussalam deposited its instrument of ratification of the protocol relating to Article 83 *bis* on 25 August 2000. Article 83 *bis* permits the State of Registry, by agreement, to transfer all or part of its functions and duties relating to rules of the air, aircraft radio equipment, certificates of airworthiness and flight crew licensing to the Contracting State in which the operator has its principal place of business or, where none exists, its permanent residence, in respect of an aircraft operated under a lease, charter, interchange or similar arrangement.

Although Brunei Darussalam has ratified Article 83 *bis*, the necessary domestic legislative and procedural framework required to give full effect to Article 83 *bis* has not yet been fully implemented.

The Department of Civil Aviation (DCA) is undertaking the necessary legislative and procedural measures to ensure compliance with the Convention on International Civil Aviation and to enable the effective implementation of Article 83 *bis*.

Pending the completion and, where applicable, gazettment of the necessary legislative and procedural framework, DCA will not enter into or implement any agreement involving the transfer of functions or duties under Article 83 *bis* to or from Brunei Darussalam.

This interim position shall remain in effect until this circular is revoked or superseded. Any further queries may be directed to Safety and Security Policy Unit, Regulatory Division at safetysec.regulatory@dca.gov.bn.

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