

AIRCRAFT INTERCHANGE APPROVAL PROCESSING

1.0 PURPOSE

This Advisory Circular (AC) is issued to provide information and guidance to an air operator/airline intending to operate aircraft under interchange arrangement in Kenya.

2.0 REFERENCES

- 2.1 Civil Aviation Act
- 2.2 Civil Aviation (Licensing of Air Services) Regulations
- 2.3 Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) on Charges for Air Navigation Services and Regulatory Fees

3.0 DEFINITIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS

- 3.1 For purposes of this Advisory Circular the following terms and abbreviations shall have the following meanings:

- 3.1.1 **Aircraft Interchange** means an arrangement between two air operators in which the aircraft of the first air carrier is crewed by the crew of the second operator at an interchange point linking their respective routes where operational control is transferred to the second operator for the period of the interchange.
- 3.1.2 **Interchange agreement** means a leasing agreement which permits an air carrier to dry lease and take or relinquish operational control of an aircraft to or from another air operator at an airport for a limited duration.
- 3.1.3 **ICAO Doc** means International Civil Aviation Organization Document
- 3.1.4 **Licence** means an authorization granted under Civil Aviation (Licensing of Air Services) Regulations.

4.0 GENERAL



- 4.1 This advisory circular provides information relating to the application of aircraft interchange approval between air operators.
- 4.2 Approval for an aircraft interchange agreement shall only be granted where underlying traffic rights exist between the participating airlines.
- 4.3 The Authority will process aircraft interchange agreement between any of the following airlines:
 - (i) Between Kenyan Operators
 - (ii) Between Kenyan and Foreign Operators

5.0 GUIDANCE AND PROCEDURE

- 5.1 Guidance and procedure for obtaining operating authorization are detailed below:

- 5.1.1 Information required for all aircraft interchange agreements. All aircraft interchange agreements submitted for consideration should contain but not limited to the following information:

- (i) Name and address of lessor
 - (ii) Name and address of lessee
 - (iii) Duration of the agreement
 - (iv) Point of interchange (s)
 - (v) Flight schedule

- 5.1.2 Documents required for approval of operation under code – share agreement:

- (i) Air Operators Certificate for both parties
 - (ii) Insurance covering the aircraft interchange operation
 - (iii) Approved Scheduled Flight Timetable
 - (iv) The Aircraft Interchange Agreement

- 5.2 The period of validity for operations under aircraft interchange will be as indicated on the approval.

- 5.3 The granted approval will not be transferable or assignable.



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