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DCA (AIRCRAFT) NOTICES

IMPORTED SECOND-HAND AIRCRAFT ACCEPTANCE STANDARDS

1. For some years difficulty has been experienced in establishing whether compliance is shown with the Malawi Department of Civil Aviation repairs of second-hand aircraft imported into Malawi. Examples of difficulties are as follows:-

NOTE: The requirements covering the issue and renewal of Certificates of Airworthiness are contained in the British Civil Airworthiness Requirements, Section A, Chapters A2-1 to A-25, a document which Malawi also follows:-

- 1.1 Repairs having been embodied without records adequate to establish compliance with an approved scheme or a manual acceptable to either the Department or other Airworthiness Authority.
 - 1.2 Modifications having been embodied without adequate records to indicate either the source of approval or the organization responsible for embodiment of the modification.
 - 1.3 Doubt as to extent of compliance with the Department's maintenance schedule requirements, particularly those relating to major inspections or overhaul work which are intended to ensure the structural integrity of the aircraft and those relating to overhaul periods of components and accessories when compared with the overhaul periods which have previously been applied.
2. Prospective purchasers of second-hand aircraft from sources outside Malawi are advised that, in future, before a Certificate of Airworthiness is issued in respect of an imported second-hand aircraft the Department of Civil Aviation will require to be satisfied that:-
 - 2.1 Both the approval and embodiment of repairs and modifications comply with corresponding Malawi Civil Airworthiness Requirements, or that, if this cannot be established, satisfactory supporting evidence is available from an acceptable source such as the original manufacturer, or other Airworthiness Authority.

- 2.2 The aircraft has been inspected, its condition has been established and reports have been supplied to the Department.
- 2.3 Mandatory Modifications/Inspections have been complied with.
- 2.4 A Certifiable check (i.e. one covered by the issue of a Certificate of Maintenance) has been completed.

CANCELLATION: *This Notice cancels DCA (Aircraft) Notice No. A13 Issue 1.*

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