

## **ELT Coding for Russian Operators of Bermuda Registered Aircraft**

### **1 INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 The Airworthiness Notice is a replacement for the former 'Letter to Operators' (LTOs).
- 1.2 This Airworthiness Notice replaces 'LTO: AIR 07-15' published 1st October 2015. There are no significant differences to the instructions published in 'LTO: AIR 07-15' and this AWN.
- 1.3 This Airworthiness Notice is to advise Russian owners and operators who will take delivery of Bermuda registered aircraft after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016 of the requirements concerning the identification coding of Emergency Locator Transmitters (ELT) operating on 406MHz. Those ELT's will be using the Russian code 273 as part of the 15 bit Hexadecimal ELT code instead of Bermuda code 310.

### **2 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Under an Article 83bis Agreement the State of Registry and State of Operator will be different. If an aircraft will operate under an Article 83bis Agreement for an extended period of time the country code of the State of the Operator should be utilized to code the ELTs. This is especially important where the State of Registry and State of the Operator are located some distance apart or where there may be communication difficulties between the search and rescue authorities and the operator.
- 2.2 Currently ELT's are coded to the State of Registry, using Bermuda code 310. It has been agreed with the Russian Federal Air Transport Agency (FATA) that starting 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016, ELT's, installed on newly delivered aircraft that will operate in Russia under the Article 83bis Agreement between Bermuda and Russia, will be registered in the National Data Base of Russia using code 273.

### **3 INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Owners and Operators are directed to contact Mr. Evgeny Isakov for instructions on getting their ELT's coded in Russia, who's contact details are as follows:

Mr. Evgeny Isakov  
Deputy Head of Airworthiness Department  
Federal Air Transport Agency  
Moscow, Russia  
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- 3.2 For instruction regarding the coding of ELT, using Russian code 273, for the aircraft registered in Bermuda prior to 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016, operators are directed to contact their FATA Office.

### **4 ENQUIRIES**

- 4.1 Enquiries regarding the content of this Notice should be addressed to the Bermuda Civil Aviation Authority. Enquiries can be sent by email to [info@bcaa.bm](mailto:info@bcaa.bm).



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