

RECOMMENDATIONS

To the Minister of Infrastructure and Water Management and the Minister of Justice and Security:

National: advice and regulation

1. Consider expanding the possibilities for the Dutch state, in addition to the provision of information to airlines, to also issue advice, and as the ultimate remedy, to impose a flight prohibition for Dutch operators in foreign airspace.

To the Minister of Infrastructure and Water Management:

International: innovation of the risk assessment methods

2. Encourage the development and application of risk assessment methods based on the precautionary principle for civil aviation operations over or near conflict zones. Take the initiative on international level to further develop the risk assessment methods as described in ICAO Doc 10084. Closely involve airlines and work out how possible catastrophic scenarios can be identified in the event of an escalating conflict, and how uncertainties must be taken into account in the analysis and decision-making.

International: criteria for airspace closures

3. Take the initiative at international level to develop a specific proposal for a stricter definition of the responsibility of states with regard to airspace management, so that it is clear in which cases the airspace should be closed. Urge the inclusion of this proposal in the Chicago Convention and the underlying Standards and Recommended Practices.

To the European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA):

European: effectiveness of European guidance

4. Further develop the European Information Sharing and Cooperation Platform on Conflict Zones by expanding the available information without losing rapidity, including analysis and recommendations to member states, airlines and other stakeholders.

To the Commissioner for Home Affairs and the Commissioner for Transport of the European Commission:

European: effectiveness of European guidance

5. Enhance the efficiency and the effectiveness of the European Integrated Aviation Security Risk Assessment process, so that Conflict Zone Information Bulletins are published faster and include information and recommendations that are tailored to the operational needs of airlines.



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