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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Memorandum is to advise the Irish aviation community of the publication of Commission Decision (EU) 2016/2357 which requires certain recommendations as specified in Safety Information Bulletin EASA SIB No: 2014-32 be accomplished.

The following highlights the actions expected to be taken by Part 66 licence holders and industry. This is an incomplete list and you are advised to read the specific documents for full details.

For Part 66 Licence Holders

For Licence holders of a Part 66 licence issued or amended on the basis of HATA Part 147 certificates of recognition for an examination in a technical module, they should

- 1. Inform their Licensing Authority <u>and</u> the approved organisation they work for.
- 2. Not exercise the privileges of that licence until the Licensing Authority has evaluated their level of knowledge in the affected technical modules.
- 3. Assist their Licensing Authority in the investigation of their level of knowledge.
- 4. Provide available information to their Licensing Authority regarding fraud, cheating, low level of knowledge of Part 66 licence holders, or improper Part 147 examinations.

For Organisations who make use of Part 66 Licence holders

- Certifying staff authorisations based on a Part 66 licence issued or amended by your organisation have
 to be reviewed to identify if any of such staff obtained a Part-66 licence based on a Certificate of
 recognition issued by HATA to ensure such staff authorisation privileges are not exercised (suspended
 or withdrawn) until the Licensing Authority that issued the licence verifies their level of knowledge in
 the affected technical modules.
- 2. Inform the Licensing Authority that issued the Part-66 licence of any affected licences.
- 3. Assist the licensing Authority in the investigation of the licence holder's level of knowledge when requested.
- 4. Report to the IAA Licensing department all suspicions regarding fraud, cheating insufficient level of knowledge of Part-66 licence holders or the validity of Part-147 examinations.

For Licensing Authorities

For a Part 66 Licence issued based on HATA certificates, the Licensing Authority is required to

- 1. Evaluate the licence holder's knowledge in the affected technical modules and
- 2. Suspend, limit or revoke the licence if they are unable to demonstrate sufficient knowledge
- 3. Suspend licences for which investigations have not been completed.