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01. **Subject** :- Introduction of Safety and Security measures to prevent any person having access to the flight deck to interfere with the safe operation of the aircraft.

02. **Nature** :- MANDATORY

- a) Any AOC holder who violates any provision of this ASN will be subjected to the immediate withdrawal of his AOC pending investigation.
- b) Any licence / certificate holder who violate any provision of this ASN will be subjected to immediate suspension of his / her licence / certificate.

Inspectors attached to this Department shall have the authority to suspend a licence / certificate on the spot having observed a violation of any provision in this ASN.

03. **Status** :- New

04. **Issue No** :- 01

05. **Date of Issue** :- 08 – 02 - 2002

06. **Objective** :- a) To issue instructions to all AOC holders and all licence / certificate holders from the Department of Civil Aviation for strict compliance as follows:

- I) Access to flight deck for any person for any reason is prohibited from the time the aircraft doors are closed for departure to the time the doors are opened for disembarking of passengers except for following:
 - a) An Inspector of the Department of Civil Aviation on production of his credentials.
 - b) Any employer of the Operator or a service provider who require access to the flight deck for the purpose of an in flight inspection. Such person shall have



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written approval from Director General of Civil Aviation prior to the flight. It will be the responsibility of the Pilot in Command to ensure that such person has approval of Director General and to brief and ensure compliance by such person of all provisions in this ASN.

Note: Service provider means any Organisation which provide technical support to AOC holders flight operations.

II) All aircraft fitted with a cockpit door shall have a locking device fitted on the door.

III) It is not necessary to meet any Airworthiness Standard to fit the locking device at present.

IV) Satisfactory operation of the cockpit door and the locking Device is mandatory for the dispatch of the aircraft.

Operators shall make necessary amendments to the MEL within 7 working days.

V) Cockpit door shall be closed and locked prior to starting of aircraft engines or push back which ever is earlier.

VI) Pilots shall verbally conform with each other that cockpit door is closed and locked prior to commencement of pre start checks.

This is for the purpose of such conformation to be recorded in the CVR.

VII) Cockpit door shall be kept closed and locked at all times until engines are stopped at the destination airport.

VIII) With flight deck no longer readily accessible to the cabin crew, the Pilot in Command shall ensure a procedure is in place for the positive identification of the cabin crew prior to opening the door.

Such procedures shall be discussed by Pilot in Command with cabin crew prior to each flight.

IX) Only one flight deck crew member shall leave the flight deck any given time for any reason.

In aircraft where Technical crew member compliment is less than three, a cabin crew member shall be positioned in the cockpit for the purpose of closing / opening and locking the door when a technical crew member leaves the flight deck.



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- X) During passenger boarding and taxing priority shall be given to monitoring of the behaviour of the passengers.
- XI) During Climb / Cruise / Descent there shall be cabin crew members detailed with specific duties of monitoring of the behaviour of the passengers.
- XII) At all times there shall be a cabin crew member in the vicinity of the cockpit door detailed with the specific duty of preventing any person from any attempt to tamper with the cockpit door.
- XIII) All cabin crew members shall be trained and authorised to use the satellite communication system in the cabin to contact ground operational centres should it deem necessary in the event of any unauthorised person entering the cockpit.

All operators are to make suitable changes to the operating procedure and incorporate such changes in the Operations Manual within 14 days with the approval from this Department.

- 7. Background** :- Recent events in Civil Aviation have highlighted the importance of preventing, or at least delaying entry of unauthorised persons in to the flight deck to interfere with the safe operation of the aircraft.

The purpose of this ASN is to introduce necessary measures to prevent any person having access to the flight deck.

- 8. Recipients** :-
- a. All AOC holders from the Department of Civil Aviation
 - b. All ATPL and CPL licence holders from the Department of Civil Aviation.
 - c. All cabin crew member certificate holders from the Department of Civil Aviation.
 - d. All AME licence holders from the Department of Civil Aviation

- 9. Effective Date** :- **With immediate effect**

- 10. Validity Period** :- Until Further Notice

- 11. Contact Person** :- For more details about this ASN please contact Mr.H.M.C.Nimalsiri, Assistant Director (Operations) (T'phone: -431324) at the Department of Civil Aviation

- 12. Availability** :- A copy of this document is available free of charge at the Communication Centre, Department of Civil Aviation, 64, Galle Raod, Colombo 3. (e-mail : sldgca@slt.lk)
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13. Checklist :- Not Applicable

- 14. Action required** :-
1. Each operator is required to include contents of this ASN in the Flight Operations Manual as applicable and conform with Department of Civil Aviation in writing within seven working days.
 2. For strict compliance by all recipient of this ASN

Comments

Comments (if any) on the contents of any ASN may be forwarded to the Contact Person. However the ASN will come into effect on the date shown in the ASN notwithstanding any objection or comment made by any party unless and until an amending ASN is issued by this Directorate.

Lal Liyanarachchi,
Director - General of Civil Aviation.