

## NIGERIAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY

P.M.B. 21029, 21038, IKEJA-LAGOS.

## ALL OPERATORS LETTER (AOL 066)

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Date:

6th April, 2018

To:

All Aircraft Owners and Operators

From:

Directorate of Airworthiness Standards

Attn:

Accountable Manager, Director of Maintenance & Quality Manager

Subject:

NCAA REQUIREMENTS FOR AIRCRAFT POST-MAINTENANCE

INSPECTION

## Background

The Authority has observed that some aircraft owners/operators carry out scheduled base maintenance on their aircraft without formally notifying the Authority. You may wish to know that the Authority had earlier issued an AOL (AOL 064) on this unacceptable practice. Some other airlines inform the Authority, but at very short notice. This practice by Operators has led to disruption of NCAA post-maintenance inspections and needless delays in aircraft certifications.

For the avoidance of doubt, Part 9.4.1.2 of the Nigeria Civil Aviation Regulations states inter-alia: that each AOC holder shall ensure the maintenance, preventive maintenance, and modification of its aircraft/aeronautical products are performed in accordance with its maintenance control manual and/or current instructions for continued airworthiness, and applicable aviation regulations. It further states that each AOC holder may make arrangement with another person or entity for the performance of any maintenance, preventive maintenance or modifications; but shall remain responsible of all work performed under such arrangement.

For all aircraft operation, the registered owner or operator of an aircraft shall be responsible for maintaining the aircraft in an airworthy condition by ensuring amongst others, that all maintenance, overhaul, modifications and repairs which affect airworthiness are performed as prescribed by the Authority.

In all operations, therefore, the Authority will conduct the necessary post-maintenance inspection to ascertain compliance with these regulatory requirements. Where the base maintenance is accomplished outside Nigeria, the Authority will carry out aircraft post-maintenance inspection at the facility, prior to the aircraft's return to Nigeria.

## **Action Required**

All aircraft owners/operators are hereby mandated to comply with the following, at least 21 calendar days, prior to the commencement of any scheduled Base Maintenance:

- 1. Formally notify the Authority of the upcoming scheduled base maintenance, detailing the type and level of maintenance, the facility & location where the maintenance is to be accomplished and its estimated date of completion.
- 2. Submit to the Authority the work scope of the maintenance/inspection in accordance with the aircraft Approved Maintenance Programme or Inspection schedule.
- 3. Apply to the Authority for the Issue/Renewal of the Certificate of Airworthiness to be carried out at the facility where the maintenance will be accomplished.

The Authority requires immediate compliance with the actions required in this AOL 066.

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For: Director General