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Safety Airspace Regulation Group

FRAMEWORK BRIEFING NOTES FOR THE SPADEADAM AIRSPACE CHANGE PROPOSAL

Attendees:

██████████ MoD
██████████ CAA

Introduction

1. The MoD and the CAA conducted a Framework Brief for a proposal to subdivide EG D510 by telephone on 20 February 2017. The brief outlined an issue highlighted following a safety assessment of the notification process for EG D510, where it was recognized that by activating EG D510 to conduct specific demolition activity, a significant portion of Class G airspace was being unnecessarily restricted.

Objective

2. The proposal discussed was designed to achieve the following:
 - a. Enable a reduced volume of segregated airspace to be activated independently to facilitate specific hazardous activity within Spadeadam Range.
 - b. Reduce the complexity of the airspace management and notification procedure.

Discussion Points

3. The proposal is to establish a new Danger Area segment with a 1.5nm radius around the demolition site within Spadeadam Range that is used by DNV-GL to conduct specific demolition activity. This will enable the use of the minimum segregated airspace required to conduct the activity as defined in the DAP Danger Area Policy Statement. In addition, it will enable the introduction of simplified airspace activation and notification procedures.
4. It is proposed that the activation times and levels of the new Danger Area segment will mirror those of EG D510/A, thereby the overall result will be a reduction in the volume of segregated airspace.
5. The CAA indicated that it may be possible to progress the proposal as an impact assessment and thereby negate the need to conduct a formal consultation. It was agreed that this would be confirmed in due course.
6. The CAA outlined the requirements of the airspace change process.

Actions

7. The CAA to confirm the consultation and proposal submission requirements.

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