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GENERAL

LEGISLATION MATTERS

<u>PUBLICATION IN TERMS OF REGULATION 11.04.4(3) OF THE FULL PARTICULARS OF A</u>

<u>GENERAL EXEMPTION GRANTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION FROM</u>

THE REQUIREMENTS OF PART 101 PERTAINING TO PRIVATE OPERATIONS

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Part 101 of the Civil Aviation Regulations, 2011 have been promulgated and commenced on the 1st July 2015. This Part makes provision for private operations of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS). Regulation 101.01.2 prescribes operational requirements for private operations including restrictions and limitations. To a large extent, Part 101 does not apply to private operations. The provisions which are precluded from being applicable to private operations are listed in Regulation 101.01.2. However, it became necessary to exempt private operations from certain other provisions of Part 101, as reflected in paragraph 2 below.

2. **DETAILS OF EXEMPTION**

- 2.1 The Director of Civil Aviation has granted a general exemption for private operations of RPAS from the requirements prescribed in Regulations of Part 101. Over and above exclusions stipulated in Regulation 101.01.2 (1) and (2), private operations are also exempted from the following Regulations:
 - (a) 101.05.21 Use of time
 - (b) 101.05.22 Flight Folio
 - (c) 101.05.23 Power reserves
 - (d) 101.05.24 First Aid Kit
 - (e) 101.05.25 Hand-held Fire Extinguishers

3. MOTIVATION

3.1 The granting of the general exemption of private operations from Regulations specified in paragraph 2.1 will not pose any risk to aviation safety due to operational limitations prescribed in 101.01.2 (3) and Regulations specified in Sub-part 5 of Part 101.

4. GENERAL

Private operation means the use of an RPA for an individual's personal and private purposes where there is no commercial outcome, interest or gain.

DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION