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**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ORDINANCE 2016
AUTHORISATION UNDER SECTION 11(2)**

EXTENSION OF AUTHORISATION TO ACT AS INVESTIGATING OFFICER

The persons listed below are currently authorised under section 11(2) of the Criminal Procedure Ordinance 2016 to act as investigating officers, until 30 November 2019, in relation to offences specified in their letters of authorisation.

In accordance with that section, I now hereby extend each authorisation to the listed persons at enclosure A. Each authorisation will continue for two further years until 30 November 2021 unless suspended or revoked.

In all other respects, the terms of each person's authorisation remain as set out in the original letter of appointment.

The persons to whom this extension of authorisation applies are listed at enclosure A.

Enclosure A.

Name	Agency	Name	Agency
Pantelis Charilaou	Environment	Binnur Arslan	Customs DHK
Alexia Perdiou	Environment	Arzu Zabit	Customs DHK
Peter Kittos	Environment	Osman Sakalli	Customs DHK
Kypros Constantinou	Environment	Artemis Artemi	Customs DHK
George Maltas	Environment	Mehmet Uzun	Customs DHK
Varnavas Michael	Environment	Maria Ioannou	Customs DHK
Agathocles Athanasiou	Area Office AKI	Mehmet Fuat	Customs DHK
Antonis Antoniadis	Area Office AKI	Andreas Karanikolas	Customs DHK
Michalis Michael	Area Office AKI	Katerina Christofi	Customs DHK
Yiannis Gregoriou	Area Office AKI	Ersen Ahmet	Customs DHK
Neophytos Anastasiades	Area Office DHK	Marcus Burden	Customs DHK
Maria Kyriakidou-Pieri	Area Office DHK	Kyriakos Kyriakou	Customs DHK
Maria Lytra	Area Office DHK	Azmi Erol Azmi	Customs DHK
Kadri Angin	Area Office DHK	Mustafa Sakalli	Customs DHK
Sylvana Mavrohanna	SBAA HQ	Huseyin Abdullah	Customs DHK
Panayiotis Agglogallos	Area Office DHK	Selcuk Avdji	Customs DHK
Spyros Souroullas	Area Office DHK	Antonis Antoniou	Customs DHK
Fanis Patsalides	Customs AKI	Charis Tsangarides	Customs DHK
Demetris Aggonas	Customs AKI	Michalis Papadopoulos	Customs DHK
Constantinos Arsiotis	Customs AKI	Yavuz Camoglu	Customs DHK
Maria Karykidou	Customs AKI	Ziver Ozatila	Customs DHK
Mehmet Ozinanci	Customs DHK	Hakan Erisen	Customs DHK
Anastasia Christou	Customs DHK	Rohit Rawat	Customs DHK
Vedia Keles	Customs DHK	Xenios Papallis	Customs DHK
Constantinos Frangeskou	Customs DHK	Savvas Thomas	Customs DHK
Panayiotis Kritikos	Customs DHK	Anna Maria Burden	Customs DHK
Michael Theodoulou	Customs DHK	Artun Arkan	Customs DHK
Pavlos Vrahimis	Customs DHK		

15 October 2019

**R. Thomson,
Administrator,**

Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia.

Scope of this guidance

1. This Guidance summarises the regulatory requirements applying to unmanned aircrafts of less than 150kg, other than balloons or kites.

Applicable legislation

2. The main legislation applying to unmanned aircraft is:
 - a. The Air Navigation (Overseas Territories) Order 2013, SI 2013/2870 (the Order);
 - b. The air Navigation (Unmanned Aircrafts) Ordinance 2020 (the Ordinance).
 - c. The Unmanned Aircraft Permissions 2020 (the Permissions).
 - d. The Air Navigation (Akrotiri Restrictions) Regulations 2009¹ (the Akrotiri Restrictions).

Restricted zones

3. The Ordinance prevents the flying of any unmanned aircraft in the areas listed in its Schedule, unless permission is given by the Area Officer. In granting such permission, the Area Officer must have regard to policy published by the Administrator (see section 6). The Akrotiri Restrictions prohibit the flying of aircraft in the Akrotiri restricted flying area without the permission of the station commander of RAF Akrotiri.

Registration of unmanned aircraft

4. Unmanned aircrafts may only be flown if they are registered under article 4 of the Civil Aviation (Conditions for Flights performed by Unmanned Aerial Vehicles in the Republic of Cyprus) Order 2015 of the Republic of Cyprus, P.I. 402/2015 ("the Republic's Order"): see section 5 of the Ordinance.

Categories of unmanned aircraft

5. Unmanned aircrafts are divided into two categories: the Open Category, and the Special category.
6. The "Open Category" means (see section 3(1) of the Ordinance) the class of unmanned aircrafts that:
 - a. have a mass of not more than 3 kilograms, including their fuel and any article or equipment installed in or attached to the aircraft at the commencement of its flight,
 - b. are not, for the time being, flown higher than at an altitude of 50 metres, and

¹ P.I. 3/2009, published in Supplement 2A to Gazette No. 1555 of 2nd November 2009.

- c. are not, for the time being, being flown for aerial work, except when that aerial work is carried out on behalf of a charity (whether based in the Areas or in the Republic).
7. Other unmanned aircrafts are in the “Special Category” (see section 3(1) of the Ordinance).

The Open category

8. Under the Order and the Ordinance, unmanned aircrafts in the open category can only be flown if they comply with the following conditions:
 - a. The person in charge must maintain sufficient visual contact (see article 73(3) of the Order, which in this respect imposes requirements similar to those of article 6(3)(i) of the Republic’s Order);
 - b. The person in charge must be no more than 500 metres from the aircraft (see section 7(1)(a) of the Ordinance, similar in this respect to article 6(3)(i) of the Republic’s Order).
 - c. The person in charge of the aircraft must be satisfied that the flight can safely be made. No person may negligently or recklessly permit an aircraft to endanger any person or property (see articles 73(2) and 177 of the Order, which in this respect impose requirements similar to those of article 6(3)(i), (iv) and (xii) of the Republic’s Order).
 - d. The aircraft must be used only for the following purposes-
 - i. recreational purposes;
 - ii. sports, including racing between aircrafts;
 - iii. display of the aircraft for the purposes of entertainment; and
 - iv. the training of any person in the operation of unmanned aircrafts.(see section 7(1)(b) of the Ordinance, similar in this respect to article 6(3)(ii) of the Republic’s Order).
 - e. The aircraft must only be flown between sunrise and sunset (see section 7(1)(c) of the Ordinance, similar in this respect to article 6(3)(iv) of the Republic’s Order).
 - f. The person in charge of the aircraft must not cause or permit any article or animal, whether or not attached to a parachute, to be dropped from the aircraft (see section 7(1)(d) of the Ordinance, similar in this respect to article 6(v) of the Republic’s Order; in addition, article 74(1)).
 - g. The person in charge of the aircraft must not be under the influence of alcohol or a drug (see article 7(1)(e) of the Ordinance, similar in this respect to article 6(vi) of the Republic’s Order);
 - h. The person in charge of the aircraft must not be in charge of another aircraft (see section 7(1)(f) of the Ordinance, similar in this respect to article 6(vii) of the Republic’s Order).

- i. the aircraft must not be within 1 kilometre of a congested, i.e. densely populated (see article 5(1) of the Order), area (see section 7(1)(g) of the Ordinance, similar in this respect to article 6(viii) of the Republic's Order);
- j. the aircraft must not be within 500 metres of any vessel, vehicle, structure or animal which is not under the control of the person in charge of the aircraft, unless the person under whose control it is consents (see section 7(1)(h) of the Ordinance, similar in this respect to article 6(viii) of the Republic's Order);
- k. the aircraft must not be within 500 metres of any person, unless that person consents or is involved in the activity consisting of the flying of the aircraft (see section 7(1)(i) of the Ordinance, similar in this respect to article 6(viii) of the Republic's Order);
- l. where the operation of the aircraft has caused personal injury requiring hospitalisation, or death, the person in charge of the aircraft must report this to the Chief Officer (see section 7(1)(j) of the Ordinance, similar in this respect to article 6(xv) of the Republic's Order).
- m. the aircraft has not been modified since it was first placed on the market, or, if it has never been placed on the market, it has been built by persons reasonably competent for that purpose (see section 7(1)(k) of the Ordinance, similar in this respect to article 6(xv) of the Republic's Order).

The Special Category

- 9. Unmanned aircrafts of the Special Category must not be flown at a height higher than 120 metres, unless the Chief Officer gives permission (see section 8(1) of the Ordinance).
- 10. Those aircraft must also be flown in accordance with the licensing regime set up by the Republic's Order and administered by the Competent Authority (see section 8(2) and (3) of the Ordinance).

Approved aeromodelling sites

- 11. The Ordinance does not apply to flying of an unmanned aircraft in an area designated by the Chief Officer as a site to be used specifically for the practice of the flying of unmanned aircrafts. However, the requirements of the Order apply, except to the extent that the Administrator has granted an exemption from these. Such an exemption may be subject to conditions (see article 10 of the Order).

Aerial work

- 12. Article 73(5) and 127 of the Order prohibit the flying of small (i.e., of a weight lighter than 20 kg) unmanned aircraft for the purposes of aerial work, except in accordance with a permission granted by the Administrator. "Aerial Work" is defined in article 126 as any purpose (other than commercial air transport) for which an aircraft is flown if valuable consideration is given or promised in respect of the flight or the purpose of the flight. The Permissions grants such permission in relation to the flying of all small unmanned aircrafts that complies with the Order and the Air Navigation (Unmanned Aircrafts) Ordinance 2020.

Delegation

13. The functions of the Chief Officer under sections 4(3) (designation of sites for unmanned aircraft practice), 7(1)(j) (permission to fly a modified aircraft), 7(2) (report of accidents to the Chief Officer) and 8(1) (permission to fly at a height greater than 120 metres) are intended to be delegated to the Republic under the Delegation of Functions to the Republic Ordinance 2007.

Enforcement

14. Under article 185 of the Order, breach of article 177 (endangering safety of any person or property) of the Order is punishable by an unlimited fine or up to two years of imprisonment, or both. Contravening any of the other provision of the Order or the Ordinance mentioned above, is an offence, punishable by a fine of the equivalent of £2,500 in euros.
15. Article 8(1) of the Order provides for a power for the Administrator or an authorised person (this includes a police officer) to prohibit the flying of an aircraft that appears to them to be intended or likely to be flown in contravention to the Order, and be a cause of danger to any persons or property. The Administrator or authorised person may take such steps as are necessary to detain the aircraft. Under articles 182 and 185 of the Order, obstructing a person attempting to detain the aircraft, is punishable by a fine of the equivalent of £2,500 in euros. Under articles 8 and 185, refusing to comply with a direction is punishable by a fine of the equivalent of £1,000 in euros.
16. The Ordinance provides for a power by police officers to use reasonable force to prevent or stop unmanned aircrafts from being flown, where they reasonably suspect that the aircraft is being flown in contravention to the Order, anything made under the Order, or the Ordinance. Obstructing the police officer is punishable by an unlimited fine or up to two years of imprisonment (see section 9 of the Ordinance).

Flying of aircrafts by the Crown or visiting forces

17. Unmanned aircrafts flown on behalf of the Crown (which includes the police, customs and the British Armed Forces) and visiting forces are exempt from the requirements of the Ordinance (see section 4 of the Ordinance). The requirements of the Order mentioned in this guidance do not apply to visiting forces (see article 190(5)). They apply to the Crown, except military aircraft (see article 190(6)), with the exception that military aircraft flown by civilians are normally not exempt from article 177 (endangering safety of any person or property).