

All NATMAC Representatives

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NATMAC INFORMATIVE LETTER

Dear Colleagues,

NOTIFICATION OF RECEIPT OF AN AIRSPACE CHANGE PROPOSAL: NIGHT-TIME FUEL SAVING ROUTES (NFSR)

This letter is to advise you that Directorate has received the title Airspace Change Proposal from NATS

The NFSR proposal seeks to improve the operational and environmental efficiency of traffic over-flying UK airspace during the night by systemising the use of direct (DCT) routings from Oceanic exit points to the UK FIR boundary with Maastricht UAC. The implementation is planned in 2 phases:

- Phase 1: Work to support the IAA ENSURE project at LAC Swanwick/Prestwick Centre/MACC plus introduction of the NFSRs in the London UIR, at LAC Swanwick (17th December 2009).
- Phase 2: Introduction of the NFSRs in the Scottish UIR, at Prestwick Centre (11th March 2010).

In accordance with the Airspace Change Process, the development of this proposal has included several meetings with the MoD to discuss the operational impact.

The DAP Project Leader is Mac Mackay, in the Controlled Airspace Section.

Yours sincerely,

Original signed

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NATMAC Secretary