

All NATMAC Representatives

DAP/ORR/ORR4/SPTAUAV

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NATMAC INFORMATIVE LETTER

Dear Colleagues,

NOTIFICATION OF THE MOD's LAUNCH OF FORMAL CONSULTATION FOR AN UNMANNED AIRCRAFT AIRSPACE CHANGE PROPOSAL

This letter is to advise you that Stage 3 – Preparing for Consultation – of the MOD's Unmanned Aircraft Airspace Change Proposal, in the vicinity of the Salisbury Plain Training Areas, has been completed. MOD commenced Stage 4 – Consultation and Formal Proposal Submission – by launching the formal consultation on 16 June 2008. The consultation is due to close on 29 September 2008. Following successful completion of Stage 4, the Change Sponsor will need to formally submit the Airspace Change Proposal to DAP by 1 April 2009 to meet their planned implementation date of 1 December 2009.

Further notification will be given upon receipt of the Proposal. In order to gain regulatory approval, the Proposal will need to satisfy all the regulatory requirements as demonstrated through the quality of the operational and environmental analysis and the thoroughness of the consultation. The DAP Project Leader is Lieutenant Commander Doug Robertson Royal Navy of the Off-route Airspace Section.

Yours sincerely,



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