Attention U.S. Airmen and Operators:

Due to recent incidents involving civil aircraft of U.S. registry, the FAA recommends that any operators conducting flight in the Florida Straits and nearby international waters remain vigilant for other air traffic in the area and strictly abide by the international and FAA Federal Aviation Regulations. The Administrator has issued a cease and desist order and notice of enforcement policy effective February 29, 1996. Any person holding a U.S. Airman Certificate and/or operating U.S. registered civil aircraft shall comply with Federal Aviation Regulations prohibiting unauthorized operation within Cuban territorial airspace.

Unauthorized entry into this airspace will subject the individual to enforcement action to the maximum extent permitted by law, including: revocation of pilot certificate, maximum civil penalties, seizure of aircraft, and judicial remedies. Further, any person attempting to operate an aircraft after revocation or without a valid certificate is subject to criminal penalties of up to 3 years in prison and/or fines. (FAA 5/14/02)