

DOCUMENT CHANGE PROPOSAL/BRIEFING SHEET

FINAL DISPOSITION

ORDER/PUBLICATION: 7210.3X

CHANGE: 2

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 7, 2013 **TRACKING #:** 32- 6-3-1

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1. PARAGRAPH NUMBER AND TITLE:

6-3-1. HANDLING OF SIGMETs, CWAS, AND PIREPS

2. BACKGROUND: The FAA is responsible for providing meteorological data to stakeholders of the NAS. This includes disseminating and distributing observations, forecasts, and warning messages that pertain to volcanic activity including volcanic ash. PIREPs for volcanic activity and volcanic ash are provided to ATC in a specified format which is delineated in the Aeronautical Information Manual (AIM). These reports are then forwarded to the Volcanic Ash Advisory Centers (VAAC) and are used to issue volcanic ash SIGMETs. These changes follow new ICAO guidelines as set forth by the International Airways Volcano Watch Operations Group and are in effect as of November 2010.

3. EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: This DCP provides guidance for air traffic controllers to handle and disseminate PIREP information from aircrews. This change cancels and incorporates N JO 7210.817, AvMet Volcanic Ash, effective July 13, 2012.

4. CHANGE:

<u>OLD</u>	<u>NEW</u>
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a thru c1(f)	No change
Add	<u>(g) Detection of sulphur dioxide (SO2), associated with volcanic activity, in the cabin.</u>
Add	<u>NOTE- Sulphur dioxide has the odor of a rotten egg.</u>
c1(g)	Re-number to c1(h)
No further changes to paragraph.	

5. INDEX CHANGES: None

6. REFERENCE CHANGES: None

7. GRAPHICS: None

8. GENOT/NOTICE: N JO 7210.817, AvMet Volcanic Ash, effective July 13, 2012

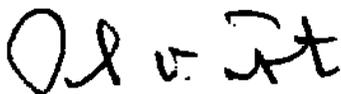
9. FORMATTING & PLAIN LANGUAGE REVIEW: HM 1/10/2012

10. SAFETY RISK MANAGEMENT: (Check appropriate box).

SRMD. Proposed change meets full SMS requirements for safety risk assessment.

SRMDM. Proposed change does not introduce new safety risks into the NAS.

11. ICAO DIFFERENCES: YES NO



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