STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2016 No. 540

CIVIL AVIATION

The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Visit by the President of the United States of America) Regulations 2016

 Made
 18th April 2016

 Coming into force
 21st April 2016

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict flying in the vicinity of Essex, central London and Windsor by reason of the intended visit by the President of the United States of America.

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by article 161 of the Air Navigation Order 2009(a).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Visit by the President of the United States of America) Regulations 2016 and come into force on 21st April 2016.

Interpretation

2. In regulation 3(1), 4(1) and 5(1) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time(**b**).

Restricted airspace

- **3.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (3) between—
 - (a) 2000 hours and 2230 hours on 21st April 2016, and
 - (b) 0800 hours and 1000 hours on 24th April 2016, no aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area referred to in paragraph (2).
- (2) The area referred to is bounded by—
 - (a) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 514508N 0001309E,
 - (ii) 514055N 0000652E,
 - (iii) 513232N 0000055W, and

⁽a) S.I. 2009/3015, to which there are amendments that are not relevant to these Regulations.

⁽b) In these Regulations Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

- (b) the anti-clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 17 nautical miles centred on 512812N 0002713W from 513232N 0000055W to 513611N 0000311W, and
- (c) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 513611N 0000311W,
 - (ii) 513611N 0001830W,
 - (iii) 515101N 0000025W,
 - (iv) 515146N 0000006W,
 - (v) 515155N 0000120E, and
- (d) the anti-clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of radius 8 nautical miles centred on 515306N 0001406E from 515155N 0000120E to 514508N 0001309E.
- (3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft—
 - (a) making an approach to, or departing from, London Stansted Airport whilst under the control of the London Terminal Control Centre at Swanwick,
 - (b) operated by—
 - (i) the National Police Air Service, or
 - (ii) the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services, or
 - (c) operated with the authority of Chief Inspector Vince Brady of the Metropolitan Police Service.
- **4.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 2000 hours on 21st April 2016 and 0930 hours on 24th April 2016, no aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by—
 - (a) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 513611N 0001253W,
 - (ii) 513611N 0000311W, and
 - (b) the clockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 17 nautical miles centred on 512812N 0002713W, from 513611N 0000311W to 512013N 0000316W, and
 - (c) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 512013N 0000316W,
 - (ii) 512013N 0001255W, and
 - (iii) 513611N 0001253W.
 - (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft—
 - (a) making an approach to, or departing from—
 - (i) London City Airport,
 - (ii) London Heathrow Airport, or
 - (iii) RAF Northolt, or
 - (iv) London Heliport, Battersea,

whilst under the control of the London Terminal Control Centre at Swanwick, RAF(U) Swanwick, London Heathrow Airport Air Traffic Control, London City Airport Air Traffic Control, RAF Northolt Air Traffic Control or London Heliport Air Traffic Control,

- (b) operated by—
 - (i) the National Police Air Service, or
 - (ii) the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services, or
- (c) operated with the authority of Chief Inspector Vince Brady of the Metropolitan Police Service.

- 5.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 1100 hours and 1445 hours on 22nd April 2016, no aircraft is to fly below 2,500 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by—
 - (a) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 513611N 0001253W,
 - (ii) 513611N 0004133W,
 - (iii) 512957N 0004315W, and
 - (b) the anticlockwise arc of a circle having a radius of 4.5 nautical miles centred on 512902N 0003611W, from 512957N 0004315W to 512556N 0003100W, and
 - (c) straight lines joining successively the following points—
 - (i) 512556N 0003100W,
 - (ii) 512600N 0001255W, and
 - (iii) 513611N 0001253W.
 - (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any aircraft—
 - (a) making an approach to, or departing from—
 - (i) London Heathrow Airport, or
 - (ii) RAF Northolt, or
 - (iii) London Heliport, Battersea,

whilst under the control of the London Terminal Control Centre at Swanwick, RAF(U) Swanwick, London Heathrow Airport Air Traffic Control, RAF Northolt Air Traffic Control or London Heliport Air Traffic Control,

- (b) operated by—
 - (i) the National Police Air Service, or
 - (ii) the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services, or
- (c) operated with the authority of Chief Inspector Vince Brady of the Metropolitan Police Service.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Tim May
Head of Aviation Policy
Department for Transport

18th April 2016

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations restrict flying in a corridor between London Stansted Airport and London (regulation 3), in the vicinity of central London (regulation 4) and between central London and in the vicinity of Windsor (regulation 5) on the occasion of a visit by the President of the United States of America which is scheduled to take place during the 4 days of 21st to 24th April 2016.

As part of the overall security arrangements the Metropolitan Police considers that flying should be restricted in the vicinity of London. This has been agreed with the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department for Transport.

In relation to regulations 3, 4 and 5, the term 'aircraft' includes aircraft as classified by Part A of Schedule 3 to the Air Navigation Order 2009. It also includes, by virtue of article 253(3) of that Order, any small balloon, any kite weighing not more than two kilograms, any small unmanned aircraft and any parachute including a parascending parachute.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1), 4(1) and 5(1) are Universal Co-ordinated Time (UTC), which for the purpose of these Regulations is one hour behind British Summer Time.

In relation to the authority mentioned in regulations 3(3)(c), 4(2)(c) and 5(2)(c), Chief Inspector Vince Brady may be contacted through the Metropolitan Police Service Air Support Unit on telephone 020 8345 4888 (24 hours).

Full details of the Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by NOTAM.

Further enquiries of the Civil Aviation Authority may be made to Mr R E J Gratton, Principal Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, telephone 020 7453 6586.