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From: Commander, Naval Air Systems Command

To: Government Flight Representatives providing oversight to Naval Contracts.

Subj: WAIVER OF DCMA 8210.1C CHANGE 1 NATOPS REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTRACTOR

**AIRCREW** 

Ref: (A) NAVAIRINST 3710.1 CHANGE 1

1. This waiver authorizes Government Flight Representatives (GFR) to continue authorizing flights with contractor aircrew whose OPNAVINST 3710.7 NATOPS/NASTP certification has expired due to the restrictions placed by the government on travel.

- GFRs are authorized to accept existing NATOPS/NASTP qualifications that have expired if the
  contractor cannot renew the qualification based on government restrictions. The GFR is authorized to
  accept the expired NATOPS/NASTP certification for a period of approximately 90 days beyond the
  date of the restrictions being lifted.
- 3. If the contractor can reasonably fulfil the requirements by the use of local resources available without travel, the contractor is expected to meet the requirements. It is, however, unreasonable to expect compliance when the government restrictions, or the expected extreme overloading of those resources after the removal of the travel restrictions, makes it very difficult to meet the requirements. GFRs are authorized to use good judgement in the timing of the contractor's requirement to come back into compliance.
- 4. This waiver is valid for the duration of the national coronavirus emergency.
- 5. If you have any questions in reference to this waiver, please feel free to contact me at Naval Air Systems Command AIR-09F, Bldg 401, Suite 200, 22187 Arnold Circle, Patuxent River, MD 20670-1541, (301) 757-2246 or DSN 757-2246.

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