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**PERSONNEL LICENCING
GENERAL
SIGNING OF PILOT AND OTHER LICENCES**

This AIC replaces AIC 30.4 dated 1998-10-15.

1. Conducted spot checks carried out by the Authority have revealed that a disturbing number of pilots have omitted to sign their pilot licences in the relevant space. Those guilty of the offense range from Student Pilots to Airline Pilots. In some cases, the violation has prevailed for a number of years.
2. The attention of all crew members and Air Traffic Controllers is urgently drawn to NAMCARS Parts 61, 63, 64, 65 and 66 wherein it states for each issued licence that, ***“upon the issuing of a licence, the holder thereof shall forthwith affix his or her signature in ink in the space on the licence provided for such purpose”***. Failure to do this will render the licence invalid and any person exercising the privileges of an unsigned licence shall be guilty of an offence.
3. The effect of these regulations is such that, any flights or other regulated activities carried out without valid licences will de facto be illegal and apart from the criminality of such activities, serious implications will be brought to bear in terms of the insurance provided should an accident occur.
4. Aircrew and air traffic controllers are thus urged to check that all licences they hold are rendered valid by appending their signatures in the space provided.

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