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**1998 No. 1537**

**CIVIL AVIATION**

**The Civil Aviation (Route Charges for Navigation Services) (Amendment) Regulations 1998**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>22nd June 1998</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>29th June 1998</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st July 1998</i>

Whereas in pursuance of tariffs approved under the Eurocontrol Convention<sup>(1)</sup> and under the Multilateral Agreement relating to Route Charges concluded at Brussels on 12th February 1981<sup>(1)</sup> (being international agreements to which the United Kingdom is a party), the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions has determined rates of charges, as specified in regulation 2, payable to Eurocontrol in respect of navigation services provided for aircraft:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 73(1)(a), (1A)(b), and (6) of the Civil Aviation Act 1982<sup>(2)</sup> and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Civil Aviation (Route Charges for Navigation Services) (Amendment) Regulations 1998 and shall come into force on 1st July 1998.

**2.** For Schedule 2 to the Civil Aviation (Route Charges for Navigation Services) Regulations 1997<sup>(3)</sup> there shall be substituted—

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(1) Cmnd. 8662.

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(2) 1982 c. 16; section 73(1A) was added by section 1 of the Civil Aviation (Air Navigation Charges) Act 1989 (c. 9); “prescribed” is defined in section 105(1).

(3) S.I.1997/2920.

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## “Schedule 2

Regulations 3(1), 4(3) and 6(1)

## SPECIFIED AIRSPACES

(1) <i>Country</i>	(2) <i>Publication in which FIRS are described</i>	(3) <i>Unit Rate in ECUs</i>	(4) <i>Established at a Rate of exchange of</i>
Austria	AIP Austria	54.07	1 ECU = 13.79612 Sch
Belgium and Luxembourg	AIP Belgique	78.46	1 ECU = 40.46577 BF
Bulgaria	AIP Bulgaria	60.32	
Croatia	AIP Croatia	47.44	1 ECU = 6.896589 HRK
Cyprus	AIP Cyprus	25.39	1 ECU = 0.580735 £Cy
Czech Republic	AIP Czech Republic	45.28	1 ECU = 36.79034 CZK
Denmark	AIP Denmark	52.08	1 ECU = 7.465173 Kr
France	AIP France (France Métropolitaine)	61.61	1 ECU = 6.588673 FF
Germany	AIP Germany	66.81	1 ECU = 1.960314 DM
Greece	AIP Greece	25.85	1 ECU = 309.0668 Dra
Hungary	AIP Hungary	24.84	1 ECU = 214.7737 Hf
Ireland, Republic of	AIP Ireland	21.76	1 ECU = 0.740373 £Ir
Italy	AIP Italy	65.24	1 ECU = 1912.460 L
Malta	AIP Malta	34.56	1 ECU = 0.435052 Lm
Netherlands	AIP Netherlands	45.70	1 ECU = 2.207741 G
Norway	AIP Norway	49.43	1 ECU = 8.011991 KR
Portugal	AIP Portugal	Lisbon FIR-39.82 Santa Maria FIR-14.75	1 ECU = 199.1187 Esc
Romania	AIP Romania	36.98	
Slovakia	AIP Slovakia	68.06	1 ECU = 37.63354 SKK
Slovenia	AIP Slovenia	65.25	1 ECU = 184.0652 SIT

\* Excluding Shanwick FIR

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Spain	AIP España	Madrid & Barcelona FIR-48.05 Canaries FIR-46.15	1 ECU = 165.3699 Pts
Sweden	AIP Sweden	49.45	1 ECU = 8.435991 SKr
Switzerland	AIP Switzerland	74.42	1 ECU = 1.613105 SF
Turkey	AIP Turkey	41.15	
United Kingdom	United Kingdom Air Pilot*	79.52	1 ECU = £0.684627"

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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions

*Glenda Jackson*  
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Department of the Environment, Transport and  
the Regions

22nd June 1998

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Civil Aviation (Route Charges for Navigation Services) Regulations 1997.

The 1997 Regulations provide for a charge to be paid to Eurocontrol by the operator of an aircraft. The unit rates in ECUs set out in Schedule 2 are calculated by reference to the costs of provision of en-route navigation services in the participating countries in the Eurocontrol charges system, the amount of traffic using each country's airspace and the relationship of each country's currency to the ECU over a period agreed by Ministers of the participating countries. The interaction of these elements varies in each country. These regulations introduce new unit rates for Austria, Cyprus, the Republic of Ireland and Turkey. In calculating the revised charges the average of the exchange rates between ECU and the currencies of the participating countries obtaining in July 1997 have been used. In the case of Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, the unit rate is established in ECUs.

The unit rates for Cyprus and Turkey have increased on average of 6 per cent and the unit rates for Austria and the Republic of Ireland have decreased on average by 4.8 per cent. The unit rates of all other States including the United Kingdom remain unchanged.

The United Kingdom Air Pilot and the foreign Aeronautical Information Publications referred to in the Regulations can be purchased from Westward Digital Limited, 37 Windsor Street, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL52 2DG and can be inspected at major aerodromes in the United Kingdom.