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US, European Agencies Warned Pilots

MH17 Crash

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USPA NEWS - Aviation safety authorities in the United States and Europe warned pilots in April about potential risks flying in or near Ukraine airspace, where a Malaysian passenger airliner went down on Thursday. The US Federal Aviation Administration on April 23 issued a "special notice" regarding Ukrainian

The warning remains in effect until April 23, 2015. International aviation agencies in April also had warned pilots and airlines to avoid the airspace around Simferopol. Agencies including the European Aviation Safety Agency and ICAO, a United Nations civil aviation agency, warned that airlines faced "serious risks" in the area and advised airlines to take alternate routes. Aeroflot to stop flying over Ukraine, British Airways reviews Meanwhile, Russia's state-controlled Aeroflot will no longer fly over Ukraine, an official at the airline said, following the crash of a Malaysian passenger airliner in eastern Ukraine. Itar-Tass news agency quoted Russia's Emergencies Ministry as saying there were no Russians on board the plane.

British Airways said it was reviewing its once-a-day route between Heathrow and Kiev. "Our flights are not using Ukrainian airspace, with the exception of our once-a-day service between Heathrow and Kiev," a British Airways spokeswoman said. "We are keeping those services under review, but Kiev is several hundred kilometres from the incident site." "" Reuters, July 18, 2014.

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