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Notification of the application of Sections I and II of Chapter III of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 (opt-in)

Estonian Transport Administration hereby notifies you that Estonia has decided (opt-in) to apply Section I and II of Chapter III of the Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 (Basic Regulation) to Estonian Police and Border Guard (PBG) that are by default otherwise exempted from the Basic Regulation. The decision has been implemented through the amendment to the Aviation Act that was passed on 6<sup>th</sup> of March 2024 and became effective from 21<sup>st</sup> of March 2024. The decision is in § 2 section 2<sup>2</sup> in the Aviation Act (soon to be published in English also).

This opt-in covers Sections I and II of Chapter III of the Basic Regulation and applies only to the PBG. In order to ensure that the activities and services performed by PBG aircraft (excluding unmanned aircraft and air operations) are carried out in accordance with the safety objectives of the Basic Regulation, it is most optimal to apply the requirements of the basic Regulation directly and thereby ensure oversight. Henceforth, all the requirements of Sections I and II of Chapter III of the basic Regulation, as well as the corresponding implementing rules and delegated acts, will apply. Currently, the entire PBG Aviation Group (AG), whose primary functions are related to PBG flight operations, has a valid Continuing Airworthiness Management Organisation certificate (CAMO), Certificate of Maintenance (Part 145), Certificates of Airworthiness for all their aircraft (under Basic Regulation), and all aircrew are in compliance with Regulation (EC) 1178/2011, including their training and medical. In determining whether PBG complies with the abovementioned requirements, PBG AG and ETA carried out an in-depth conformity assessment and concluded that they meet the requirements of the Regulation and the relevant implementing rules. The explanatory document (rationale for the amendment) and the text of the proposed amendment now in force are attached to this letter and are also available on the Parliament's website. The assessment documents verifying the PBG's compliance are also available, if necessary.

## Yours sincerely

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## Enclosure:

- 1. Proposed amendment of the Aviation Act (in force)
- 2. Explanatory document for the amendment

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