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Safety Recommendation:

CHCI should provide explicit guidance in its Operations Manual on the protocols and briefing requirements for transfer of PF and PM roles during a mission.

Response:

On 01 February 2022, and in subsequent engagement with the AAIU, the Operator provided the following response to this Safety Recommendation:

"The Operator's Operations Manual, Part A continues to contain multiple references to the transfer of control (and by association, transfer of role). The Operator has accepted the comments from the AAIU and has further expanded guidance in relation to the transfer of control/roles of the aircraft in OMF 8.4.4.1.3.

While the guidance is clear, it is not prescriptive as the flight crew still require a level of flexibility to allow appropriate action to be taken in a dynamic environment to maintain the safe operation of the aircraft."

AAIU Comment:

The AAIU Notes the Operator's response of 01 February 2022.

In addition the Investigation notes that, in relation to the Safety Recommendations made to the Operator, the IAA informed the Oireachtas Joint Committee on Transport and Communications that 'the IAA will track these recommendations and ensure that they are appropriately implemented.'

The AAIU considers the status of this Safety Recommendation to be 'Implemented-Closed'.