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 ORDER/PUBLICATION:
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 EFFECTIVE DATE:
 March 7, 2013
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1. <u>PARAGRAPH NUMBER AND TITLE</u>:

2-7-7. COOPERATION WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

2. <u>BACKGROUND</u>: Human smuggling is a global problem that is growing in frequency and scope. The criminal organizations behind the major smuggling rings have often utilized commercial air transportation to move their victims from country to country, or from continent to continent. The Secretaries of the Department of Transportation and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) have committed their departments (including the FAA) to provide a process intended to allow aircrews to notify the appropriate law enforcement agency about a possible human smuggling event on an air carrier flight inbound to the United States. Passing the information on ATC frequencies would only occur if the primary means (through company channels) of notification have failed.

3. <u>EXPLANATION OF CHANGE</u>: This change adds a requirement that human trafficking be reported on the Domestic Event Network. This change cancels and incorporates N JO 7210.813, Human Trafficking Reporting, effective June 18, 2012.

4. <u>CHANGE</u>:

OLD 2-7-7. COOPERATION WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

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c. <u>Reports of suspected human trafficking</u> <u>must be reported on the Domestic Events</u> <u>Network (DEN). If the ATC facility is not</u> <u>actively monitoring the DEN or does not have a</u> <u>dedicated line to the DEN, they must</u>

immediately report the above referenced activity on the DEN via (202) 493-4170.

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NOTE-

"Blue Lightning" is a code word used by the DEN and law enforcement agencies to refer to human trafficking activities.

No further changes to paragraph.

- 5. **INDEX CHANGES:** None
- 6. <u>**REFERENCE CHANGES**</u>: None
- 7. <u>GRAPHICS</u>: None
- 8. <u>GENOT/NOTICE</u>: N JO 7210.813, Human Trafficking Reporting, effective June 18, 2012

9. FORMATTING & PLAIN LANGUAGE REVIEW: X HM 3/27/2012

- 10. <u>SAFETY RISK MANAGEMENT</u>: (Check appropriate box).
 - **SRMD**. Proposed change meets full SMS requirements for safety risk assessment.
 - **SRMDM**. Proposed change is not safety related.

11. <u>ICAO DIFFERENCES</u>: YES D NO

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5/1/2012

Date: