



Channel Islands Air Search Ltd

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Draft License Exemption Decision

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## **DRAFT EXEMPTION DECISION**

- 1.1. At a meeting held on the 17 February 2021, the Authority decided, provisionally, that it intends to approve a license exemption for Channel Islands Air Search Ltd in the following terms:

*“ The Authority exempts Channel Islands Air Search Ltd (CIAS) from any obligation to licence itself in terms of section 1 of The Telecommunications (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2001 in regard to its use or operation of the Smith Myers ARTEMIS advanced cellular avionics location system, in its aircraft, insofar as and for as long as ARTEMIS continues to be used solely for search and rescue functions for which CIAS is not remunerated (other than by donations or state grants) and where ARTEMIS is not used for any commercial gain or purpose. For the avoidance of doubt, this exemption shall extend to any emergency or rescue calls that ARTEMIS may hand over to police, state or rescue organisations on another network for the purposes of achieving search and rescue objectives. This exemption shall last for ten years from the date of this resolution.”*

- 1.2. Any person that wishes to object to the granting of the above license exemption is invited to provide fully motivated objections in writing, by e-mail, at [info@gcra.gg](mailto:info@gcra.gg) , by no later than 5pm on 9 March 2021 and these objections should be clearly marked as *“Objection to Draft Exemption Decision: Channel Islands Air Search Ltd”*.

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