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#### **INTRODUCTION**

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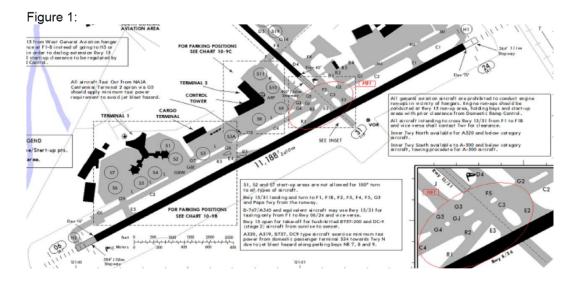
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Flight crew should take particular note of:

- 1. Lack of current aeronautical charts that accurately depict the airfield layout, dimensions and markings
- 2. Ongoing events of unauthorized illumination of aircraft by laser when operating at MNL airport
- 3. The intersection of RWY 31 /13 and RWY 06/ 24. This intersection is a known 'hot-spot' area as shown in Figure 1 below. Flight crews have described this hotspot area as:
  - Poorly lit
  - Markings and signage that are non-standard and poorly maintained
  - Confusing due to the complex configuration of taxiways

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Member airlines are invited to note the following IATA recommendations:

- Alert flight crews of the existing hazards and potential for runway incursion in the 'Hot-Spot' area and apply appropriate operating procedures to mitigate the associated risks
- Airlines are strongly encouraged to continue to report all airside ground deficiencies and related safety events to MIAA via the email addresses below:
  - To: Raffy Regular, Head for Airport Ground Operations and Safety Department: miaasafety@gmail.com; aod.miaa@gmail.com; rsregular112@yahoo.com
  - CC: Ed Monreal, General Manager: <u>gmo.miaa@gmail.com</u> Alvin Candelaria: <u>candelariasr.alvin@yahoo.com</u> <u>aerodromesafety@gmail.com</u>
  - Airlines are also requested to copy IATA (<u>aspacsfo@iata.org</u>) when any safety reports are submitted to MNL and/or inform IATA when feedback is not received from MIAA
- Alert flight crew of potential unauthorized illumination of aircraft by laser when operating at MNL airport and recommend immediate reporting of a laser illumination to ATC by radio. Airlines are also strongly encouraged to take a follow-up action through reporting the details of the incident to ATS Safety Management System (ATS-SMS) <u>ats\_sms@caap.gov.ph</u> and CC Airport Operations Department MIAA <u>aod.miaa@gmail.com</u> and SMS MIAA <u>sms.mnl.ph@gmail.com</u>
- This Notice will remain in effect until member airlines have confirmed that all noted hazards have been sufficiently addressed.

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