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# **RECORD OF RESERVATIONS**

CHAPTER	RECORD OF RESERVATION BY NATIONS
General	SVK
1	BGR, DNK
Annex A	ROU
Annex B	CAN, ROU

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# **RECORD OF SPECIFIC RESERVATIONS**

[nation]	[detail of reservation]
BGR	Bulgarian Armed Forces will not apply p.4 "Participation nations agree to restrict or modify land use practices in the airbase vicinity that increase the risk of wildlife strike" of 1.3 DETAILS OF THE NATO STANDARD.
CAN	CAN does not have a national system for implementing BIRDTAMS. BIRDTAM, as outlined in this STANAG, will be issued locally by individual wings. CAN collects information related to wildlife strikes in their FS occurrence database but the info is not as detailed as Annex B. CAN will continue to submit an annual report to be included in the EURBASE.
DNK	1.3: DETAILS OF THE NATO STANDARD, pt. 4
	"Participating nations agree to restrict or modify land use practices in the airbase vicinity that increase the risk of wildlife strikes": "To the extent possible under Danish national law". Taking this reservation into account, there should be no reason not to ratify the STANAG.
ROU	Annex A, para. 1.3.5:
	- Romanian Air Forces cannot issue and release BIRDTAM warnings due to lack of specialized radars in detecting birds flights;
	- Romanian Air Forces can issue and release Level 5 NOTAM warnings about birds flight, according to this STANAG; Annex B:
	- Romanian Air Forces do not release data for identification of own aircraft involved in crashes with birds and animals and data about repairing expenses in such cases.
SVK	The Air Force of the Armed Forces of the Slovak Republic is able to monitor the omithological situation and provide the information into BIRDTAM only for the areas in the immediate vicinity of the military airports.

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### **CHAPTER 1 WILDLIFE STRIKE PREVENTION**

### 1.1. AIM

The aim of this publication is to standardize the measures to avoid collisions between wildlife and aircraft and the formats for the exchange of information on the presence of wildlife and wildlife strike reports.

### 1.2. AGREEMENT

- 1. Participating nations agree that the wildlife strike prevention measures and the formats for the exchange of information on the presence of wildlife and wildlife strike reports are as detailed herein.
- 2. Participating nations agree that the wildlife strike prevention measures should serve, besides the safety of flight, the environment as much as possible.

### 1.3. DETAILS OF THE NATO STANDARD

- 1. Participating nations agree to make military airfields as unattractive as possible for hazardous wildlife species by modification of habitat, infrastructure and human activities.
- 2. Participating nations agree to assess the wildlife hazards on a permanent base and to try to minimize the resultant wildlife strike risk.
- 3. Participating nations agree to ban those hunting activities that may increase wildlife behaviour hazardous to aircraft.
- 4. Participating nations agree to restrict or modify land use practices in the airbase vicinity that increase the risk of wildlife strikes.
- 5. Participating nations agree to provide bird strike warning information to the flying community. This information may be disseminated as a BIRDTAM (GEOREF based bird migration information as collected by radar) or as a NOTAM (position based information from other sources).
- 6. Participating nations agree to exchange BIRDTAM's with neighbouring countries using the format detailed in Annex A whenever a bird intensity of 5 or greater is present, following the intensity levels:

<u>Intensity</u>	Bird Strike Risk
0	Nil
1	Extremely small
2	Very small
3	Small

4	Fairly small
5	Fairly great
6	Great
7	Very great
8	Extremely great

- 7. Participating nations agree to calibrate the bird strike warning information as disseminated by BIRDTAM's and NOTAM's.
- 8. Participating nations agree to collect and identify wildlife remains and report the wildlife strike according to the wildlife strike form, see annex B.
- 9. Participating nations agree to collect wildlife strike reports using a national wildlife strike database and to send a yearly update in a digital spreadsheet to the Custodian to be included in EURBASE. A NATO overall report will yearly be issued by the Custodian.

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### 1.4. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATO STANDARD

This NATO standard is implemented when a nation has issued the necessary orders/instructions putting the procedures detailed in this standard into effect.

# ANNEX A BIRDSTRIKE RISK MESSAGE (BIRDTAM)

1. The Birdstrike Risk Message (BIRDTAM) format is:

# BIRDTAM (number/year)

- a. ISSUING STATION
- b. VALID FROM (DTG-ZULU)
- c. VALID UNTIL (DTG-ZULU)
- d. INTENSITY OF BIRD MIGRATION
- e. GEOGRAPHIC REFERENCE (FROM LOW FLYING CHART)
- f. LOWER HEIGHT LIMIT OF THE HAZARD (AGL)
- g. UPPER HEIGHT LIMIT OF THE HAZARD (AGL)
- h. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
- 2. The following are examples of BIRDTAM messages:

ONE INTENSITY ONLY		MORE THAN ONE INTENSITY			
BIRDTAM 32/96		BIRDTAM 33/96			
a.	EH MRYXYX	a.	EH MRYXYX		
b.	101315Z APR 96	b.	101400Z APR 96		
C.	101515Z APR 96	C.	101600Z APR 96		
d.	8	d/e.	6-JH, 8-KL, 7-JJ		
e.	JH (OVR-COAST)	f.	50 FT		
f.	50 FT	g.	1500 FT		
g.	1500 FT	h.	as appropriate		
h.	as appropriate				

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# ANNEX B NATO WILDLIFE STRIKE FORM

01.	Adm number		10. Flight Phase:	F	Parked	
02.	Incident Date		□ T	axying		
03.	Incident time (local)		T	ake-off roll		
04.	Unit / Squadron			Climb		
05.	Aircraft type & Reg. nr.				ow level op	perations
06.	Speed				Cruise	
07.	Altitude			□ F	Holding, in o	circuit
08.	Lat. Long Coord				Descent	
09.	Geogr. Location a. cou	ntry		□ F	inal approa	ach
	b. loc	ation			anding roll	
	c. unl	known 🗌 .			Other	
				□ L	Jnknown	
11.	Operational effects:	☐ No ☐ Yes	s: Aborted take	e-off		
	·		Returned to	base		
			Landed at ne	earest airb	ase, being:	
			Other		_	
12.	Crew injury:	☐ No	Yes			
13.	Damage to aircraft:	☐ No	☐ Yes ☐	Unknown		
14.	Strike noticed by:	☐ Pilot	☐ Groundcrew ☐	Other		
	·					
		int 16. Damage	point	15. Impa	act point 10	6. Damage
point		_				
Rado	_		Canopy/win	idscreen		
Nose	<u> </u>		Fuselage			
Wing			Landing Ge	ar		
Roto	r 🗌		Empenage			
Prop	eller		Underwing	Stores		
Air ir	ıtake		Unknown			
Engi	ne 🗆					
17.	Remains collected	☐ Yes	☐ No ☐ Norem	ains found	d	
18.	Wildlife identified by	Laboratory	☐ BCU ☐ Other			
19.	Wildlife species					

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20.	Wildlife number	seen	struck		
		☐ Single ☐ Flock (nr. ☐ Unknown		ngle ock (nr. ) known	
21.	Wildlife size Sma	all (sparrow)	☐ Medium (pig	igeon) 🗌 Large (goose) 🔲 Unknown	
		ADDITION	AL INFORMA	ATION	
22.	Pilots name				
23.	Engine reg. Number				
24.	Costs:				
25.	Man hours spent to fix				
26.	Classification (if applicable)				
27.	A/C Lights	☐ On	☐ Off	Unknown	
28.	BIRDTAM	☐ Yes, level:.		Unknown	
29.	Local Bird Intensity	Low	☐ Moderate	Severe	
30.	Light conditions	☐ Dawn	☐ Day	☐ Dusk ☐ Night ☐ Unknown	
31. l	Conditions IMC km	VMC	Snow 🗌 Rain	☐Clouds/8 ☐ Visibility	
32.	POC / Form filled in by				_
33.	Remarks / Comments:				



