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Information concerning planned maintenance and construction measures on runways and taxiways in 2021
- Temporary reduction of runway capacity for flight operations

Dear Ladies and Gentleman,

Already within the last year we started with extensive maintenance measures and construction activities on both runways.

Due to worldwide Covid-19 crisis and the accompanying dramatic collapse also in the aviation sector, the aforementioned activities could be performed over a longer period of several complete runway closures.

Also in this year we again have to continue with extensive maintenance measures and construction activities on both runways. These measures cannot be postponed and are indispensable for reasons of ensuring safe flight operations. Otherwise for the next years to come we would have to perform these maintenance measures at nighttime and always at the edges of day- and nighttime, thus permanently implementing operational restrictions upon daily flights.

However, the ongoing Covid-19 crisis reduction of aircraft movements enable us to perform this capacity reducing measure in a compressed way without generating further significant negative effects on flight planning and flight operations and completing these maintenance measures by the end of this year.

For the aforementioned reasons, the southern runway [08R/26L] will be closed totally from 01.05. – 31.07.2021.
The northern runway [08L/26R] will subsequently be totally closed from 01.08.-30.09.2021.

Therefore, within the period from 01.05.-30.09.2021 only one runway will be available for flight operations.

The closure of one runway will also lead to a significant temporary reduction of the available runway system and its capacities and this accounts for approx. 50% reduction of the current capacity parameters.

The application for a temporary reduction of the existing capacity parameters for the aforementioned period will now be put forward by the airport operator as part of a special formal process within the coordination committee for Munich Airport. The application will be discussed with the members of the coordination committee and will be established by the chairman of the coordination committee in consultation with the local aviation authority.

Concerning this issue you will soon receive further detailed information about the procedural activities in connection with coordinated slots and the required communication processes with Airport Coordination Germany.

With best regards

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