Military Aviation Authority (MAA) approves Rega's LOCARNO RNAV approach procedure for crisis management

As part of the extraordinary situation, in order to deal with the Corona crisis, Rega intends to use Locarno Airport, outside normal operating hours, as a destination as well as an alternate aerodrome, in order to land in the Locarno area in instrument flight conditions (IMC) using the existing instrument flight rules (IFR) landing procedures.

This enables Rega to transport patients in the vicinity of the Locarno hospital, even in bad weather conditions. The Swiss Air Force does not yet use this procedure. The Military Aviation Authority (MAA), in cooperation with the Locarno Air Base Command and the FOCA, has now approved this measure for Rega during the extraordinary situation. A connection to the LFN (Low Flight Network) is possible. The LFN is used by Rega in crisis management thanks to the strong support of the Swiss Air Force.

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