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**PART 99—SECURITY CONTROL OF
AIR TRAFFIC**

**Alteration of Alaskan Distant Early
Warning Identification Zone**

The purpose of this amendment to Part 99 of the Federal Aviation Regulations is to alter the description of the western boundary of the Alaskan Distant Early Warning Identification Zone (DEWIZ), thereby reducing requirements for flight-progress reporting and estimating in that area.

Oceanic position reporting procedures in the Anchorage control area require aircraft to make position reports when passing each 5° or 10° of longitude extending east and west of the 180° meridian.

High performance flights are required to report only every 10° of longitude.

The western boundary of the Alaskan DEWIZ is presently located at 175° west longitude. Pilots of aircraft planning to penetrate this DEWIZ must file a flight plan containing the estimated point and time of penetration. For high speed aircraft, this is an extra estimate that is not needed for air traffic control (ATC) purposes.

Flight planning and air traffic control procedures are simplified and communications reduced where DEWIZ or ADIZ penetration points and reporting points coincide. Therefore this rule relocates the western boundary of the Alaskan DEWIZ from its present position at 175° west longitude to the 180° meridian.

Since this action involves airspace outside the United States, the Agency has consulted with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense, in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 10854.

Inasmuch as this amendment relates to defense requirements, I find it contrary to the public interest to comply with the notice and public procedure requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act.

In consideration of the foregoing, § 99.47 of Part 99 is amended, effective December 8, 1966, by striking out the words "50°00' N., 175°00' W.; 60°00' N., 175°00' W.; 61°45' N., 177°00' W.," and inserting the words "50°00' N., 180°00'; 60°00' N., 180°00'" in place thereof.

(Secs. 307, 1110, 1202, Federal Aviation Act of 1958; 49 U.S.C. 1348, 1510, 1522, E.O. 10854 (24 F.R. 9565))

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Administrator.

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