

2.2.1 Central African Republic Bangui-M'Poko International Airport

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Overview

Location Details			
Country	Central African Republic	Latitude	4.398475
Province / District	Ombelle M'poko	Longitude	18.51879
Town or City (Closest)	Bangui	Elevation (ft and m)	1,208 ft / 368.2 m
Airfield Name	Bangui-M'Poko International Airport	IATA and ICAO Codes	BGF /FEFF
Open From (hours)	07:30	Open To (hours)	15:00

Bangui-M'poko is the only airport in the Central African Republic with international standards. It is situated at about 5 km northwest of Bangui downtown. The airport was open to traffic in 1967 and the last time its runway was resurfaced dates back to 1987. According to last available statistics, 66,854 passengers transited through Bangui International Airport.

The main international companies serving Bangui International Airport are TAAG Angola Airlines (Brazzaville, Douala, Pointe-Noire and Luanda), Afriqiyah Airways (Tripoli), Toumai Air Tchad (Brazzaville, Cotonou, Douala, Libreville, Lomé and N'djamena) Air France (Paris-Charles de Gaulle), ASKY (Douala, Lomé, Cotonou, Abidjan, Dakar, Niamey, Nouakchott, Conakry, Abuja etc.) and Kenya Airways (Nairobi, Bujumbura, Dar Es Salam, Kampala, Entebbe + multiples connections) VIA AIR: for domestic cargo.

The regular domestic traffic in the Central African Republic is provided by the United Nations Humanitarian Air Services (UNHAS), with about 13/14 locations served in the country. The fleet of UNHAS to date (Nov 2016) include two LET 410, offering 19 seats or 1.5 MT capacity x 2, 1 DASH 8 = 35 seats and 1 CESNA 208 = 9 seats. MINUSCA: helicopters = 11, planes = 14, ICRC = 2 planes, MSF = 1 plane.

Considering the insecurity prevailing within the Central African Republic, UNHAS flights are absolutely necessary for the security of UN and other NGOs activities in the country.

For information on Central African Republic Airport contact details, please see the following links:

[4.3 Central African Republic Airport Company Contact List](#)

[CAR Airport Contacts](#)

Runways

It should be recalled Bangui-M'poko International Airport is authorized only for aircraft equipped with bilateral radio communications. U-turn on the runway is prohibited for aircraft above 40 metric tons weight.

Runway #1 - 17	
Runway Dimensions	2640 (Usable length - 2600m) x 45 m (Standard ICAO)
Orientation	17 / 35
Surface	Concrete / asphalted

Helicopter Pad(s)

A helicopter pad is located in the military base, with restricted access to civilians.

Helipad #1

Present (Yes / No)	Yes
Largest helicopter that can land	MI 8
Width and Length (metres)	50 / 100
Surface	Asphalted

Airport Infrastructure Details

Customs	Yes	JET A-1 fuel	Yes
Immigration	Yes	AVGAS 100	Yes
Terminal Building	Yes	Single Point Refueling	Yes
Passenger Terminal	Yes	Air Starter Units	Yes
Cargo terminal	Yes	Ground Power (mobile)	Yes
Pax transport to airfield	Yes	Ground Handling Services	Yes
Control Tower	Yes	Latrine Servicing	Yes
Weather Facilities	Yes	Fire Fighting Category (ICAO)	Yes
Catering Services	Yes	De-icing Equipment	-
Base Operating Room	-	Parking Ramp Lighting	Yes
Airport Radar	-	Approach & Runway Lights	Yes
NDB	Yes	VOR	Yes
ILS	Yes		

Passenger and Cargo Performance Indicator

Further statistics on UNHAS flight are as follows.
 Monthly passengers transported: about 500 persons
 Total flight hours monthly: about 83 hours

Performance for 2005	Annual Figures
Total aircraft movements	n/a
Total passengers	66.854 (2005)
Total capacity of the airport (metric tonnes)	3000 MVT
Current activity of the airport (metric tonnes)	1200 MVT
Current use by Humanitarian flights (UNHAS)	n/a

Airport Operating Details

Operating Details	
Maximum sized aircraft which can be offloaded on bulk cargo:	B 747 / Antonov 124
Maximum sized aircraft that can be offloaded on pallet	B 747
Total aircraft parking area (m²)	31,500

Storage Area (mt)	350 (250 mt)	Cubic Meters (m³)	n/a
Cargo Handling Equipment Available (Yes / No)	yes	If "Yes" specify below	
Elevators / Hi Loaders (Yes / No)	yes	Max Capacity (mt)	14
Can elevators / hi loaders reach the upper level of a B747 (Yes / No)	yes, The infrastructure and equipment allows offloading of 4 aircraft B 747 per day. The offloading time is estimated at two hours per B 747 aircraft.		
Loading Ramps (Yes / No)	Unit for Cargo & luggage		

Airfield Cost

For information on Central African Republic Airport costs, please see the following link:

[CAR Airport Charges](#)

The overflight and landing authorizations for civil foreign aircrafts are delivered by the Ministry of Defense following advices of the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, Ministry of Public Security and Territorial Administration (Homeland Affairs). The request for authorization should be submitted in written form (telex, radio message or any other means) to the Ministry of Defense, at least 72 hours before the expected date for the flight. But a special derogation can be granted by the Minister of Defense. The following documents should be attached to the request for overflight and landing permit: a. Type of aircraft. b. Registration of aircraft. c. Name of pilot. d. Number of crew. e. Number of passengers. f. Origin of aircraft. g. Destination of aircraft. h. Airport of stopover. i. Airport of exit. j. Nature of cargo. k. Date of entry and departure. l. Purpose of visit. m. Services required. The answer of the Ministry of Defense should be given 72 hours following the request. In case of no response within this timeframe, the request should be considered as rejected.

Security

Level: Good

Companies Available

Air Operators - Air transport companies:

TAAG Angola Airlines (Brazzaville, Douala, Pointe-Noire and Luanda)

Afriqiyah Airways (Tripoli)

Toumaï Air Tchad (Brazzaville, Cotonou, Douala, Libreville, Lomé and N'djamena)

Air France (Paris-Charles de Gaulle)

ASKY (Douala, Lomé, Cotonou, Nouakchott, Conakry, Dakar, Niamey, Abuja, etc.)

Kenya Airways (Nairobi, Bujumbura, Kampala, Kigali, Dar Es Salam, etc.)

VIA AIR: domestic cargo

UNHAS (domestics flights)

Air Navigation Security and safety: ASECNA

Handling and ground service: AHS MENZIES

Information on some aviation service providers can be found at: [AZ Freight information on Central African Republic](#)