

Media statement

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Eruption of Mount Sangeang Api, Indonesia – update at 11am

Airservices continues to monitor ash plumes resulting from an eruption of Sangeang Api in Indonesia on 30 May, which have continued to dissipate overnight.

Flights in and out of Darwin are expected to resume this afternoon as the plume there disperses. Passengers are advised to contact their airlines for further information.

All flights heading through northern Australia to overseas destinations will continue to avoid the area until this afternoon.

The Bureau of Meteorology's Volcanic Ash Advisory Centre (VAAC) continues to keep the airlines, the Civil Aviation Safety Authority and Airservices updated with detailed information on the volcanic ash cloud.

The ash plumes that may have affected flights into and out of Cairns and Townsville today have dispersed and will not affect flights. Brisbane flights will also be unaffected.

Airservices National Operations Centre is working with airlines to minimise disruption for the travelling public and provide them with the latest information throughout the day.

Decisions on whether or not flights will operate will be made by individual airlines and operators based on a careful assessment of all available information.

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