

## US 5G safety move for air cargo

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The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and US telecommunications firms Verizon, and AT&T have agreed on steps that will enable more passenger and freighter aircraft to safely use key airports while also enabling more towers to deploy 5G service.

5G rollout plans in the US have been heavily opposed. Last month, <u>cargo airlines</u> were amongst the signatories of a letter urging immediate action on 5G plans in the US to avoid supply chain disruption.

AT&T and Verizon said they would delay the implementation of their c-band 5G networks for two weeks around certain US airports, but **some airlines still cancelled US services.** 

However, the FAA explained the wireless companies have provided more precise data about the exact location of wireless transmitters and supported more thorough analysis of how 5G C-band signals interact with sensitive aircraft instruments.

This data that has enabled the FAA to determine that it is possible to safely and more precisely map the size and shape of the areas around airports where 5G signals are mitigated, shrinking the areas where wireless operators are deferring their antenna activations.

It said this will enable the wireless providers to safely turn on more towers as they deploy new 5G service in major markets across the US.