



### **AXAIR MIAP (STD) Controller User Guide**

Welcome to the world of enhanced flight simulation with the AXAIR MIAP (Mini Autopilot) controller. Designed for precision and ease, this controller enables users to swiftly adjust airplane autopilot settings and COM/NAV radio parameters.

# **Compatibility:**

- PC Version: Compatible with a broad range of simulator software, the MIAP's functionalities can vary based on the software in use:
- X-plane: Users can benefit from the capability to map nearly all cockpit functions.
- Flight Simulator 2020: While some Microsoft updates are still pending for complete functionality, the majority of essential actions in FS2020 are already operational. These actions can be comfortably mapped to the MIAP's diverse buttons, knobs, and switches.

# **XBOX Version Overview:**

- The evolution of the MIAP family includes an edition exclusively for the XBOX console. Designed for Flight Simulator 2020 on the XBOX Series S/X, this version boasts unique features:
- The device's firmware is embedded directly into MIAP's main processor. This allows it to function either as a standalone keyboard or as an adjunct to an existing keyboard linked to the console.
- Each button, rotary, and switch is designed to produce a specific key sequence. Notably, the top-left rotary button (OBS), radio frequency button, and the COM/NAV toggle switch operate akin to the "Shift" key on standard keyboards. Activating them results in alternate key sequences, of the MIAP buttons and dials, for each specific position. **Consequently, these controls will not display their own key sequences.**
- One of the delights for users is the flexibility offered by FS2020: they can craft diverse aircraft profiles, each with its unique set of MIAP button configurations.

#### Design & Build:

- The MIAP boasts a robust acrylic casing, ensuring durability.
- It features a backlit front panel that complements the intuitive switch position indicator lights.
- The base plate is equipped with pre-drilled holes, allowing users the option to integrate the MIAP seamlessly into their existing setups. A word of caution: when mounting, ensure screws are only lightly tightened to preserve the integrity of the acrylic and prevent potential cracking.

# Connecting MIAP to XBOX Series S/X:

- 1. Attach the MIAP to your XBOX console by inserting the USB connector into any available USB port on the console.
- 2. While USB hubs are generally compatible, we can't assure flawless MIAP operation with all hub types. If opting to use a hub, we recommend selecting a powered USB hub for optimal performance.
- 3. For the smoothest initial setup, disconnect any other keyboards before connecting the MIAP. When you power on Flight Simulator for the first time the MIAP is connected, avoid using the "quick resume" feature.
- 4. Upon connection, the MIAP will be recognized as a standard keyboard. If you have multiple keyboards connected simultaneously, they will integrate with the MIAP. In this scenario, only one keyboard icon will be visible, but all merged keyboards remain functional.

# About the USB Cable:

The MIAP is paired with a premium silicon USB cable that measures 1 meter in length. If you require a longer connection:

- Extend the cable using USB 2.0 or USB 3.0 extension cables.
- Ensure you choose cables of type FEMALE A to MALE A.



# Language Settings Note:

While MIAP's software is versatile enough to work with various keyboard language settings, we recommend a specific configuration for the best user experience:

• To prevent any potential overlapping or repeated inputs, adjust your Xbox settings to utilize the 'US Keyboard' layout. You can find this option under settings/language and dictation.

#### Troubleshooting & Recommendations for the MIAP:

#### If Your MIAP Isn't Responding Correctly:

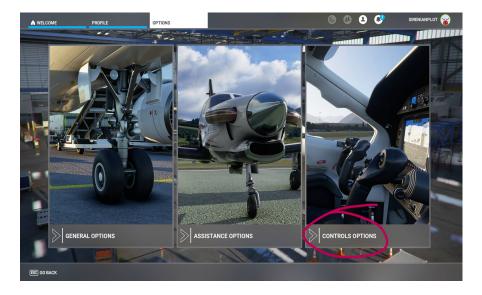
If the MIAP isn't operating as outlined in this guide, or if the scanning process doesn't display results—or even displays incorrect results—in the simulator control settings, consider the following steps:

- 1. Restart both your XBOX console and the Flight Simulator software. This can be done irrespective of whether the MIAP is connected.
- 2. The MIAP doesn't have an inbuilt sleep function and the XBOX USB ports will always be powered. If you wish to power it down post XBOX shutdown, simply disconnect the USB cable.

## Assigning Buttons, Switches, and Knobs to the MIAP:

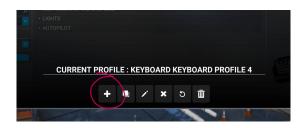
#### **STEP 1: Access Control Options**

• From the main menu, select "CONTROL OPTIONS".



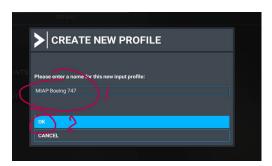
# **STEP 2: Choose or Create Profile**

- If you've selected a US keyboard in the Xbox settings, it's recommended to use the default keyboard profile and add MIAP assignments.
- If you however wish to create or add a new profile, click on the "+" symbol. If using an existing keyboard within this new profile, assign keyboard buttons next to the MIAP buttons as detailed in subsequent steps.



#### **STEP 3: Name Your Profile**

• Type a name for your desired profile. Remember, you can create numerous profiles for different airplane



models. Confirm by clicking 'OK'.

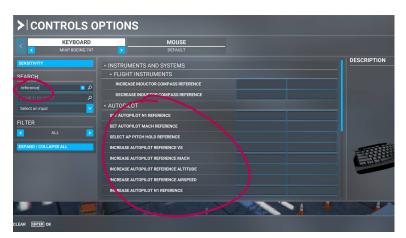
## **STEP 4: Search for Actions**

• Use the 'SEARCH BY NAME' tab to find the action you'd like to assign. For instance, you might want to assign an action to a rotary knob that adjusts the Autopilot altitude.

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KEYBOARD MIAP BOEING 747	MOUSE	
SENSITIVITY	^ CAMERA	
SEARCH	<ul> <li>COCKPIT CAMERA</li> </ul>	
SEARCH BY NAME	ZOOM COCKPIT VIEW	
SEARCH PMINIPUT	ZOOM COCKPIT (LOCKABLE)	
Select an input	VER PILOT VIEW SAVE	
FILTER	UNZOOM COCKPIT VIEW	
ASSIGNED	UNZOOM COCKPIT (LOCKABLE)	
EXPAND / COLLAPSE ALL	TRANSLATE COCKPIT VIEW RIGHT	
	TRANSLATE COCKPIT VIEW LEFT	
	TRANSLATE COCKPIT VIEW FORWAR	

#### **STEP 5: Filter Actions**

- Key in 'reference'. All assignable actions with 'reference' in their name will be displayed.
- Tip: Ensure that the 'FILTER' below the 'SEARCH' tab is set to show 'ALL' actions.



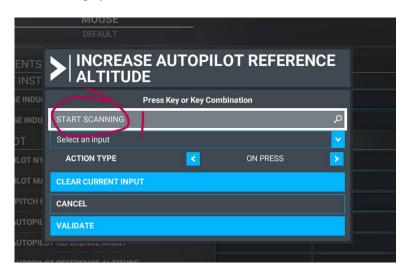
#### **STEP 6: Select Tab for Assignment**

- Click the highlighted tab window.
- Note: Two rows of tabs are present. The second row allows you to assign an alternate button or knob to the identical action.

DECREASE INDUCTOR COMPASS REFERENCE	
AUTOPILOT	
SET AUTOPILOT N1 REFERENCE	
SET AUTOPILOT MACH REFERENCE	
SELECT AP PITCH HOLD REFERENCE	
INCREASE AUTOPILOT REFERENCE VS	
INCREASE AUTOPILOT REFERENCE MACH	
INCREASE AUTOPILOT REFERENCE ALTITUDE	
INCREASE AUTOPILOT REFERENCE AIRSPEED	
INCREASE AUTOPILOT N1 REFERENCE	

## **STEP 7: Start Scanning**

• Click on the grey tab labeled 'START SCANNING'.



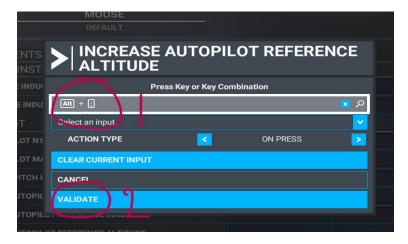
# **STEP 8: Operate the MIAP Knob**

• For our example, rotate the ALT knob in a clockwise direction.



#### **STEP 9: Verify Scan Input**

- If your keyboard language version in the Xbox settings menu is set to English "ALT + ;" should now appear in the scan tab.
- Check against reference sheet A to ensure the input matches. If discrepancies arise, re-scan until the correct string displays. Confirm the assigned action afterwards.



(Other keyboard language settings can produce different text strings)

# **STEP 10: Review Action Assignment**

• Within the action list, you'll now see the rotary knob, which in our example, was set to 'INCREASE AUTOPILOT REFERENCE ALTITUDE'.



# **Step 11: Test Your Profile**

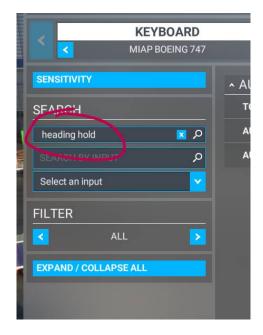
• Repeat the steps for other assignments, after that, save your profile and return to the main menu. Next, begin a flight to test out your assigned actions.



## Steps for Assigning Rotary Knobs button funtions:

#### STEP 12: Assigning the HDG Button as example

• Navigate to the 'SEARCH BY NAME' tab and input 'Heading hold".



• Select the TAB adjacent to 'TOGGLE AUTOPILOT HEADING HOLD'.



# **STEP 13: Initiate Scanning**

• Click on the 'START SCANNING' window.

	DEFAULT			
		LOT HEADI	NG HOLD ON	
EADI	$\sim$	Press Key or Key Co	ombination	
EADI	START SCANNING			Q
	Select an input			<u> </u>
	ACTION TYPE		ON PRESS	
	CLEAR CURRENT INF	UT		
	CANCEL			
	VALIDATE			

# **STEP 14: Press the HDG Button**

Click once on the corresponding MIAP button. ٠



- STEP 15: Verify Button Scan
  The input 'RIGHT CTRL + \' should appear in the scan window after pressing the MIAP button.
- If a different string is displayed, rescan the button. •
- Click on 'VALIDATE' to confirm your action. •

PILO	HOLD	UTOPILC	OT HEADING	
ADI	Pr	ess Key or Key Co	mbination	
ADI	Right Ctrl + (			<u>م 🛛</u>
	Select an input			<b>_</b>
	ACTION TYPE		ON PRESS	
	CLEAR CURRENT INPUT			
	CANCEL			

Note: Repeat from STEP 12 for assigning the other buttons and rotary knobs (pressing atop a rotary knob)

# The MIAP device's design allows for efficient multitasking using a limited number of controls.

- Toggle Switch: Located at the bottom right of the device, this switch lets you choose between adjusting 1. communication (COM) settings or navigation (NAV) settings.
- SWAP Button: Depending on if you're in COM or NAV mode, this button will have different effects. Make 2. sure to assign actions to this button for both the COM and NAV positions.
- Button on the Tuning Knob: Think of this as the 'Shift' key on a keyboard. On its own, it doesn't show any 3. change. However, when paired with the tuning knob, it alters its function. This lets you tune frequencies in large measures (Megahertz) or in more precise adjustments (Kilohertz). The latest model has blue backlight indications to show the knob selection to be either set to MHz or KHz.
- 4. CRS Knob: This knob offers dual functionality. By pressing the button on top, you can toggle between two different settings. Ensure you assign the rotary's left and right turns for both OBS1 and OBS2 settings. The latest model has blue backlight indications to show the knob selection to be either set to VOR1 or VOR2.

#### Remember, the COM/NAV switch and pressing the CRS or FREQ knob won't register an input since they function solely as a SHIFT.

The following steps shows an example of how to assign actions to this combination of toggle switch, button and rotary knob

> Toggle the switch to 'COM'.



STEP 17: Adjust COM1 Frequency tuning

- Search for 'COM1'.
- Click the TAB next to 'INCREASE COM1 (WHOLE)'. •
- Rotate the FREO knob clockwise. •
- Check if the string matches reference table 'A' and validate the action. •
- Scan 'DECREASE COM1 (WHOLE)' and rotate the FREQ knob counter-clockwise.



# **STEP 18: Alternate COM1 Adjustments**

- Press the FREQ button atop the knob once.
- Repeat steps but choose 'INCREASE COM1 (FRACT)' and 'DECREASE COM1 (FRACT)'.
- When done correctly, you can toggle between MHz and kHz frequencies by pressing the rotary knob.

# STEP 19: Assign NAV1 Frequency tuning

- Toggle the switch to NAV.
- Repeat the steps from STEP 17 but search for 'NAV1' to assign navigation frequencies.

# STEP 20: Assign VOR1&2 Frequencies tuning

• You can use the same process to assign OBS1 and OBS2

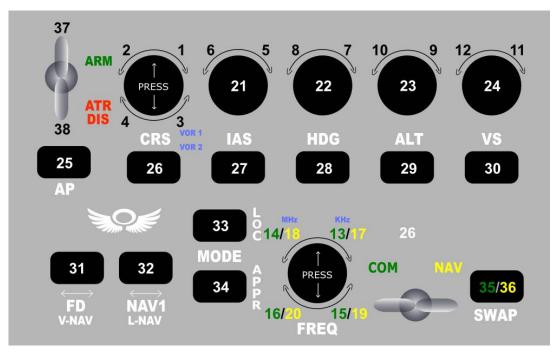
### Final Note: Always save your profile before exiting to the main menu.



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Nr	Possible assignment	Key Code	Description
1	OBS 1 +	L_CTRL+KEY_SEMICOLON	INCREASE VOR1 OBS
2	OBS 1 -	L_CTRL+KEY_GRAVE	DECREASE VOR1 OBS
3	OBS 2 +	L_CTRL+KEY_COMMA	INCREASE VOR2 OBS
4	OBS 2 -	L_CTRL+KEY_BACKSLASH	DECREASE VOR2 OBS
5	IAS+	L_CTRL+KEY_BRACKET_LEFT	INCREASE AUTOPILOT REFERENCE AIRSPEED
6	IAS-	L_CTRL+KEY_BRACKET_RIGHT	DECREASE AUTOPILOT REFERENCE AIRSPEED
7	HDG+	L_CTRL+KEY_APOSTROPHE	INCREASE HEADING BUG
8	HDG-	L_CTRL+KEY_CAPS_LOCK	DECREASE HEADING BUG
9	ALT+	L_ALT+KEY_SEMICOLON	INCREASE AUTOPILOT REFERENCE ALTITUDE
10	ALT-	L_ALT+KEY_GRAVE	DECREASE AUTOPILOT REFERENCE ALTITUDE
11	VS+	L_ALT+KEY_COMMA	INCREASE AUTOPILOT REFERENCE VS
12	VS-	L_ALT+KEY_BACKSLASH	DECREASE AUTOPILOT REFERENCE VS
13	COM-FREQ1+ Mhz	R CTRL+R ALT+KEY BRACKET LEFT	INCREASE COM1 (WHOLE)
14	COM-FREQ1- Mhz	R_CTRL+R_ALT+KEY_BRACKET_RIGHT	DECREASE COM1 (WHOLE)
15	COM-FREQ1+ Khz	R_CTRL+R_ALT+KEY_APOSTROPHE	INCREASE COM1 (FRACT)
16	COM-FREQ1- Khz	R CTRL+R ALT+KEY CAPS LOCK	DECREASE COM1 (FRACT)
17	NAV-FREQ1+ Mhz	R_CTRL+R_ALT+KEY_SEMICOLON	INCREASE NAV1 (WHOLE)
18	NAV-FREQ1- Mhz	R CTRL+R ALT+KEY GRAVE	DECREASE NAV1 (WHOLE)
19	NAV-FREQ1+ Khz	R CTRL+R ALT+KEY COMMA	INCREASE NAV1 (FRACT)
20	NAV-FREQ1- Khz	R_CTRL+R_ALT+KEY_BACKSLASH	DECREASE NAV1 (FRACT)
21	IAS	L_ALT+KEY_BRACKET_LEFT	SELECT AIRSPEED BUG
22	HDG	L_ALT+KEY_BRACKET_RIGHT	SELECT HEADING BUG
23	ALT	L_ALT+KEY_APOSTROPHE	SELECT ALTITUDE BUG
24	VS	L_ALT+KEY_CAPS_LOCK	TOGGLE AUTOPILOT VS HOLD
25	AP TOGGLE	R_CTRL+KEY_SEMICOLON	TOGGLE AUTOPILOT MASTER
26	VOR INDENTIFIER	R_CTRL+KEY_GRAVE	TOGGLE VOR 1 INDETIFIER
27	IAS HOLD	R_CTRL+KEY_COMMA	AUTOPILOT AIRSPEED HOLD
28	HDG HOLD	R_CTRL+KEY_BACKSLASH	HEADING HOLD
29	ALT HOLD	R_CTRL+KEY_BRACKET_LEFT	ALTITUDE HOLD
30	VS HOLD	R_CTRL+KEY_BRACKET_RIGHT	VERTICAL SPEED HOLD
31	V-NAV / FD	R_CTRL+KEY_APOSTROPHE	TOGGLE FLIGHT DIRECTOR
32	L-NAV / NAV1	R_CTRL+KEY_CAPS_LOCK	AUTOPILOT NAV1 HOLD
33	LOC	R_ALT+KEY_SEMICOLON	TOGGLE AUTOPILOT LOCALIZER HOLD
34	APPR	R_ALT+KEY_GRAVE	TOGGLE AUTOPILOT APPROACH HOLD
35	SWAP-COM	R_ALT+KEY_COMMA	COM1 SWAP
36	SWAP-NAV	R_ALT+KEY_BACKSLASH	NAV1 SWAP
37	AUTOTHROTTLE ARM	R_ALT+KEY_BRACKET_LEFT	ARM AUTO THROTTLE
38	AUTOTHROTTLE DISC	R ALT+KEY BRACKET RIGHT	AUTO THROTTLE DISCONNECT

REFERENCE TABLE "A"