

## 中国公民首次环球飞行

FIRST CHINESE CITIZEN FLYING AROUND THE WORLD

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## **ICELAND VOLCANO STATUS STATEMENT**

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*Quebec* - Air traffic between Greenland and Iceland has been temporarily halted after ash spewing from Iceland's Grimsvotn volcano reached the airspace over eastern Greenland, civil aviation authorities have stated.

According to Wei Chen, a portion of Iceland and Greenland's airspace remains shut as the ash- cloud continues to spread inwards from its eastern coast.

Due to the range of Mr. Chen's plane, a TBM700 is limited to 1200 NM, Wei Chen and his expedition must stop at Greenland and Iceland for refueling.

Currently, all airports in Iceland have been closed due to Volcano ash. The alternative plan is to add a bladder tank inside the airplane and increase the range of the airplane. However, this alternative plan will require FAA approval and will take approximately 10 days. Wei Chen and his expedition are monitoring the Volcano eruption situation and hope to make final decision by Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup>.

Chen, began his mission and journey on Sunday as the first Chinese Citizen to fly around the world.

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