

I wish to say one more thing for a better understanding of the flyer's professionalism – sustained flying survival. A particular feature of the flying profession is that continuous learning of new aviation technology, (improved instrument panels, control systems, etc.). New technology places additional demands on man – absorb new ideas introduced by the aircraft designers. This is professionalism at its best – creative potential, psychic dynamic characteristics, spiritual fortitude, and natural guiding instinct. Professionalism is, quite obviously, manifested in the aircrew interactions. It is eloquently evidenced by the language of the professionals or, more precisely, by their jargon. Jargon is not only a 'compressed' experience, a subliminate of knowledge and gregariousness, but it is also the tool of spiritual understanding. Actually, professional jargon is a sign of rank, but it also reflects the symbol of the spiritual state, the expression of the loftiest feelings, incomprehensible to the uninitiated person. Slang always implies a second 'Ego'.

Jargon is not so much an expressed thought, as expression of a conscious state and its relation to its double subconsciousness. Characteristically for the person in a dangerous profession, jargon often assumes the form of humour or merry jest; sometimes an unusual, significant silence. The silence of a professional, especially in emergency, is not just a psychic self-immersion, but mainly a change from speech to silence. In aviation, the professional attains the ability to understand the physical illusions (as earth loss, extraterrestrial loneliness, and sensation of cosmogonic space). These 'sensations' of man's consciousness "THERE" and "HERE" lend, to the still insufficiently understood aviation professionalism, a specific individual meaning, and the profession is thus considered a gift from God. Consequently, the core of professionalism is the intellect. But the basic 'promoter' of aviation professionalism is man's spirituality, a living link of time and space – where we come from, where we are now, and where we are going in the future.