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Times New Roman, 18 pt, Centered.

Satellite, Air and Ground Observations of Volcanic Clouds over Islands of the South Pacific
Volcanic ash is dangerous to aircraft. In response to this, a warning system has been created: the International Airways Volcano Watch. Many of the ---.

Key words: aviation safety, eruption height, volcanic ash, volcano

Introduction

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