

AGREED MINUTES

1. Delegations representing the Governments of Jamaica and the Dominican Republic met in Nassau, The Bahamas on the 6th of December, 2016 to discuss the finalisation of a new air services agreement between their countries. The discussions were held in a friendly and constructive atmosphere, with both sides making their points in a frank and co-operative manner and expressing the hope that the Air Services Agreement (ASA) would help to provide efficient air services between Jamaica and the Dominican Republic. The list of the two delegations is attached at **Annex A**.

Air Services Agreement

2. The Delegations reached the understandings as set out in the ASA as found as **Annex B**. In addition, the following were noted:

3. The Delegations reached the understandings as set out below.

Designation & Authorisation of Airlines (Article 4), Revocation or Suspension of Operating Authorisations (Article 5) and Annex II

The Delegation of Jamaica advised of the desire for the ability to designate and airline from a CARICOM Member State. It was explained that currently Caribbean Airlines, with majority ownership of Trinidad & Tobago, operates routes as the designated airline of Jamaica.

The Delegation of the Dominican Republic agreed to give it due consideration and have consultations with its relevant internal authorities.


Exemption from Customs Duties and Other Charges (Article 14)

The Delegation of the Dominican Republic advised that under its domestic legislation, taxes would be applied to all fuel supplied in its territory and thus would not be exempt from customs duties and similar national fees. The Delegation of Jamaica advised that the current policy of its Government was to exempt fuel from taxes in accordance with the ICAO recommended practices. As such, the Delegation of Jamaica advised that it would have to have consultations with the relevant authorities on this matter.



4. It was agreed that further negotiations would take place in an effort to conclude an agreement at the earliest.

Signed in Nassau, The Bahamas on the 6th of December, 2016



For the Delegation of Jamaica



For the Delegation of the Dominican Republic

ANNEX A

List of Delegations

Jamaican Delegation

Amb. Sheila Sealy-Monteith	-	Head of Delegation Under-Secretary, Multilateral Affairs Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Foreign Trade
Ms. Valerie Simpson	-	Director of Transport Policy Ministry of Transport and Mining
Mrs. Jodi Munn-Barrow	-	Secretary General, MOU Ministry of Transport and Mining
Mrs. Julia Moncreiffe Wiggan	-	Legal Officer Ministry of Transport and Mining
Mr. Jermaine Case	-	Assistant Attorney General Attorney General's Chambers
Mr. Michael Hepburn	-	Director, Economic Regulation Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority
Ms. Karen Thompson	-	Manager, Research and Development Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority
Mrs. Jacqueline Fairclough	-	Consultant - Air Policy

Dominican Republic Delegation

Mr. Luis Ernesto Camilo Garcia	-	President of the Civil Aviation Board Head of Delegation
Mr. Redhames Martinez Aponte	-	Member of the Civil Aviation Board



Ministry of Tourism

- Mr. Jose Valdez - Member, Civil Aviation Board
Representing IDAC
- Mr. Pablo Lister Marin - Secretary, Civil Aviation Board
- Mr. Jose Luis Abraham - Member, Civil Aviation Board
Representing the Private Sector
- Mr. Nasin Antonio Yapor Alba - Member, Civil Aviation Board
Representing the Private Sector
- Mr. Hector Arturo Villanueva Santiago - Member, Civil Aviation Board
Representing the Private Sector
- Mrs. Bernarda Franco Candelario - Head of Department, Air Transport
Civil Aviation Board
- Mr. Jorge Pena Mendoza - Head of Legal Department
Civil Aviation Board
- Ms. Pura Coplin - Legal Translator
Civil Aviation Board



ANNEX B

AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT

