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**Egbert Field** Director General Guyana Civil Aviation Authority

Lt. Col. Egbert Field (ret'd) has been in aviation for over forty seven (47) years commencing at the tender age of 18 years. In 1970 he attended the Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Florida where he obtained his Commercial Pilot Licence with Instrument and Multi-engine ratings. He joined the Guyana Defence Force (GDF) in 1972 as an Officer Cadet. In his twenty three (23) years at Air Corp he served as Officer- in-Charge (fixed wing), Training and Check pilot, Executive pilot to three Presidents for thirteen (13) years and Advisor to the Chiefs of Staff on Aviation matters.

Before retiring from the GDF with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in 1996, he joined Guyana Airways Corporation (GAC) where he became the first Guyanese Captain of the GAC Boeing 757 aircraft. After being trained in the United Kingdom as an Instrument and Type rating examiner he was designated as a Check airman for the then Civil Aviation Department in 1992. He was later appointed Chief Pilot/Director of Operations of the succeeding Guyana Airways 2000 Boeing 757 International operation.

He transitioned to the Regulatory side of Aviation becoming the first Operations Inspector of the Guyana Civil Aviation Authority in 2002. In this position he continued his work in aviation with the Oversight of the aviation industry with inspections of the operators, examinations of pilots, investigation of accidents and incidents etc. Before departing from the Guyana CAA in 2003, he was responsible for the certification of the eight (8) Air Operators in the Guyana aviation industry at that time.

Joining the Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority (JCAA) in 2004 as an Operations Inspector with responsibility for the oversight of Air Jamaica Limited as its Principal Operations Inspector, he became the Manager Flight Operations Oversight for the Authority in 2007 before rising to the position of Director, Flight Safety Department of the Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority (JCAA). Added to this portfolio were the duties of a Transnational Inspector for the Caribbean Aviation Safety and Security Oversight System (CASSOS). In this capacity he assisted other Caribbean countries with oversight of their Air operators. In August 2016 he resigned from Jamaica to return home to become the Director General of the Guyana Civil Aviation Authority.

Lt. Col. Egbert Field has accumulated over 18,000 flight hours and in the process, flew and is qualified on a number of aircraft including but not limited to the Beech King Air 200, the Skyvan, Y-12, the Hawker Siddley 748, the Russian made Tupolev 154, the Airbus 320/321, the Boeing 707 and Boeing 757/767 etc.

As a senior CAA Inspector he has attended a wealth of courses, lectures, and symposiums at the FAA academy, International Civil Aviation Organisation, National Transportation Safety Board etc. in every area of air operations namely Accident Investigation, Audit procedures, Enforcement and Compliance, Approved Examiner, Air Operator Certification, Safety management Systems, Evaluation of Aviation Management Systems, Personnel Licencing, Aircraft Dispatcher etc. Apart from being a Check Airman and examiner, he is also a certified ICAO Instructor.

As the Director General of the GCAA, he sits on the Board of the Caribbean Aviation Safety and Security Oversight System (CASSOS).