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Subject: 36 th Session of the Assembly – Resolution A36 -11 Proficiency in the English Language used for Radiotelephony.

Reference: Your letter – AN 12/44.6-07/68- of October 2007.

Kingston, March 2 2011.

Sir/ Madam,

With reference to your above mentioned letter and recognising the deadline of **March 5 2011**, I have the honor to report that Jamaica has adapted and implemented a policy of compliance as outlined by ICAO Document 9835(AN 453). All nationals are native English speakers. All pilots are trained and tested in English by native English speaking instructors and evaluated by expert native English speakers in the persons of Inspectors assigned by the Flight Safety Division of the Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority.

The Regulations and Licensing Schedules for all airmen licences at this time require only that the candidate read write and speak English language, but will be amended by legislation to demand the appropriate levels as prescribed in Document 9835. All holders of an airman licence require specific training in Flight Radiotelephony and this qualification is stated on the license.

At this time all existing aircrew operating internationally as licence holders of a Jamaican licence, where meeting the requirement, have been assessed at English Level 6 and the appropriate statement affixed to the license. There will be no need for further testing.

All Air Traffic Controllers by Regulation and Schedule have been continuously tested to Level 6 (Expert); the appropriate statement is affixed to the license. No further testing is required. No legislative changes are required.

All new pilots and air traffic controllers will be trained and tested in accordance with the requirements of Document 9835.

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