



MEDIA STATEMENT

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SACAA UPDATE STATEMENT ON SA AIRLINK

Midrand – Following the recent audit undertaken at SA Airlink, and the subsequent submission of a report to the Minister of Transport by the SACAA, SA Airlink was provided with a seven (7) day time frame in which to submit a Corrective Action Programme (CAP) to address the findings outlined in the audit report. In line with the time frame granted, SA Airlink duly submitted the CAP to the SACAA on Monday, 21 December 2009.

The CAP was thoroughly assessed by the SACAA in order to ascertain whether the findings contained in the audit report had been adequately addressed. In addition, a meeting between the SACAA and SA Airlink was held on the same day to seek clarity on certain aspects of the CAP.

Whilst the SACAA does not make its audit findings public; it can however reveal that there were (3) observations with some recommendations relating to flight operations and 12 findings regarding aircraft maintenance.

In this regard, the CAP submitted to the SACAA provides the SACAA with the assurance that the CAP will address all audit findings by the end of January 2010. The SACAA will continue with its current intensified oversight to ensure that the operator adheres to the CAP as well as the applicable Civil Aviation Regulations.

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About the SACAA:

The South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA) was established on 1 October 1998 following the enactment of the South African Civil Aviation Authority Act, No.40, in September of the same year. The SACAA promotes and maintains a safe, secure and sustainable civil aviation environment, by regulating and overseeing the functioning and development of the industry in an efficient, cost-effective, and customer-friendly manner according to international standards.

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