



DIRECTIVE

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SUBJECT:

High-Level Dignitaries – Exemption from Security Screening & Questioning Initiated by:

Director Aviation Safety & Security Regulations

1. BACKGROUND:

It is important that aircraft (and airport) operators operating in or providing air transport services to Guyana, accord to high-level dignitaries such as the Head-of-State, Prime Minister, and Vice President of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana as well as their respective family members, the rights, privileges, and respect that are rightfully bestowed on them when they are on travel duties. These rights and privileges include the application of certain exemptions from security screening and preboard questioning generally conducted prior to boarding an aircraft; and from screening and searching of their baggage/luggage.

2. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Directive is to ensure that aircraft operators and airport operators understand the exemptions that are accorded to the Head-of-State, Prime Minister, and Vice President of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana and their respective family members; and complies with the requirements of this directive.

3. APPLICABILITY:

This Security Directive is applicable to all Airport Operators, Aircraft Operators, Security Service Providers and Handling Agents involved in the application of screening procedures and other forms of security controls which passengers travelling through the Cheddi Jagan International Airport (CJIA) and the Eugene F. Correia International Airport (EFCIA) are subjected to go through.

4. REFERENCES:

- 1) Guyana Civil Aviation Act (2018)
- 2) National Civil Aviation Security Program (2016)

5. VALIDITY:

This DIRECTIVE is placed into effect from January 21, 2022 and remains effective until cancellation or revocation by the Director General of Guyana Civil Aviation Authority.

6. AUTHORITY:

The Guyana Civil Aviation Authority (the Authority) pursuant to the designation of the Director General of the Guyana Civil Aviation Authority and in exercise of his powers under the Civil Aviation Act (2018), hereby issues the following directive.

7. SECURITY DIRECTIVE:

- A. All local and foreign aircraft operators and airport operators are advised that with immediate effect, the following dignitaries and their immediate family members are exempted from security screening measures and from security pre-boarding questioning, and questioning procedures prior to and during the boarding of a flight:
 - 1. President of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana
 - 2. Prime Minister of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana
 - 3. Vice President of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana
- B. Aircraft and Airport Operators shall extend the necessary courtesies and privileges to the President, the Prime Minister, and the Vice President and their immediate family members by implementing the following measures:
 - 1. Ensure that an adequate process is established to accommodate screening exemptions for all aforementioned dignitaries and their immediate family members.
 - 2. Ensure that all airline representatives and airport representatives are adequately informed of the date and time of the flight for all aforementioned dignitaries and their immediate family members to extend the necessary courtesy protocols.
 - 3. Expedite the processing of all aforementioned dignitaries and their immediate family members.
 - 4. Ensure that the screeners do not subject any of the aforementioned dignitaries and their immediate family members to screening procedures, security questioning and other security controls.

C. Failure to adhere to this Security Directive:

- 1. All stakeholders identified earlier in this Directive are required to comply with the requirements contained herein.
- 2. The Guyana Civil Aviation Authority reserves the right to take enforcement action for non-compliance with these requirements.

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