

**Eugene F. Correia International Airport  
Runway Safety Team Meeting  
June 26, 2025**

Present were: -

- Mr. Wayne Farley                      Safety and Compliance Manager, OAI
- Mr. Philip Lynch                      Airport Manager, OAI
- Mr. Karran Bissessar                  Maintenance/ Project Manager, OAI
- Mr. Aubrey Knights                  Chief Security Officer, OAI
- Ms. Malkia Troyer                    QHSE Technician, OHI
- Mr. Anthony Moore                  Security Manager, JAGS
- Mr. Shukracharia Shalim            Quality & Safety Manager, CAMS
- Mr. Rovindra Persaud                Occupational Safety and Health Officer, CAMS
- Ms. Karen Liverpool                ANS Inspector, GCAA
- Mr. Jeffrey Brathwaite               Chief Inspector AGA, GCAA
- Mr. Mark Appiah                    Unit Chief- OGLE, GCAA
- Mr. Rex Hamza                      Safety & Quality Manager, XEN
- Mr. Kurt Adams                      GSC, OAI
- Mr. Tamesh Nanhu                    Maintenance Officer, OAI

Absentee:-

- RAI
- AWHWAES
- WINGS
- ASL
- TGA

**The meeting was called to order at 14:10 hrs.**

Mr. Farley welcomed all to the meeting and reminded everyone that the meeting is for us to work together to mitigate potential hazards in and around the airport. OAI management relies on feedback and advice from stakeholders to ensure that the airport operations remain safe.

**Airport Manager**

Mr. Lynch expressed the importance of the RST meetings and registered his disappointment with the turnout. The runway safety team is essential to the airport's operation, especially to the operators. With a safe runway, they will have safe operations, and it is OAI's responsibility to keep the runway in a state that is safe for all operators.

## **Update on Airport Projects**

Mr. Bissessar informed everyone of ongoing works and near term projects slated for the airport including: -

- The washing of the runway,
- Repainting of the runway markings (to be completed by August 5),
- RWY 07 PAPI generator replacement (to be completed by July 15),
- Vegetation control on the aerodrome (runway strip) and south of Pradoville (to be completed by July 30),
- Drainage on the aerodrome,
- Runway end safety area (to be completed by September 30),
- New runway lights (arrived in Guyana),
- New gate to airside.

## **Hazards**

### *Freak storm*

Mr. Farley reported on a freak storm that occurred at the airport which damaged a building and an aircraft at TransGuyana Hangar. There was no attendee from TGA to expand on the report, and no other operator reported damage to their facilities.

### *New Apron*

Mr. Farley reported that the expanded international apron was completed and all that was remaining was the installation of signs and markings.

### *OHI Ramp*

There was a report filed by Jags aviation concerning the rotorwash generated by OHI helicopters. They are seeking a resolution to this matter.

### *GDF Hangar*

Since the GDF hangar came into operation, Mr. Farley inquired from the group about how the operations may be impacting other operators. There were no reports of any adverse effects.

### *Fuel Truck*

The matter of fuel trucks entering the airside from the main access gate was brought up. Plans are in place to utilize a new access point adjacent to the new cargo facility once it is completed. This was, there will be less conflicts with aircraft.

## **Other Matters**

Mr. Hamza spoke about the need for operators to be present at the RST meetings and also to make reports on incidents. He said that notes should be sent to accountable manager about absenteeism at these meetings.

Mr. Appiah reported on the following matters:

- Aerodrome Signs to be reinforced,
- Birdstrikes – no new reports,
- Taxiway hold-short markings,
- Distance to go markers,
- 24-hour operations at the Ogle control tower,
- Aircraft tie-down,
- Floodlights on Taxiway C near RAL hangar.

Mr. Moore from JAGS Aviation complained about the private taxis operating at the airport. They are parking on the roadway and impeding the smooth flow of traffic. The matter is being actively addressed.

Mr. Shalim from CAMS reported that there are limitations concerning engine run-ups. OAI is working on identifying an alternative area for these to be conducted.

Mr. Appiah reported that the tower is affected by RAL aircraft that are running up their engines on the ramp.

### **Next Meeting Date**

The date of the next meeting will be 25 September, 2025.

The meeting ended at 15:30 hrs.