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To: All Member Associations

Dear Sirs,

Request for Mutual Assistance by the Irish Air Line Pilots' Association (IALPA) against Aer Lingus

Further to the Mutual Assistance Request sent out on August 14th, IALPA has informed us that they are now requesting "Extra Flights and/or Increased Capacity" in support of their planned 48 hour strike on commencing at 0001 on Tuesday August the 21st. This is in order to minimise inconvenience to passengers. The strike is in protest at a decision by Aer Lingus to set up a base in Belfast with a separate pilot group on inferior terms and conditions. This is in breach of the job and work security agreement that IALPA has with the company.

IALPA therefore now request the implementation of the following Mutual Assistance policies:

 Request for Extra Flights and/or Increased Capacity (I Manual, Para. 2.4.1.2) Request for Recruitment Ban (I Manual, Para. 2.4.2)
Assistance to Pilots Stranded Away from Home Base (I Manual, Para. 2.4.4) Request for Denial of Cockpit Crew Contracting (I Manual, Para. 2.4.5)

The Recruitment Ban Request applies just to the proposed new base in Belfast and not to the current bases in Dublin and Cork.

IALPA will keep IFALPA and Member Associations informed of any further developments concerning this dispute.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours faithfully,

Captain Georg Fongern Executive Vice-President Professional Affairs