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PRESS RELEASE


The attached statement explains the formation of Aircraft Engineers - International. A similar statement was issued by the Association of Licensed Aircraft Engineers - United Kingdom in London last week.

The airworthiness systems described in the release are a generalisation of the various systems used throughout the world. Whilst air safety and aircraft maintenance are prime considerations and have been dealt with accordingly in the attached release, the interests of Aircraft Engineers - International extend beyond these areas.

Industrial co-operation will be a matter of great priority during the next twelve months. Whereas industrial disputes involving national airlines are contained within the boundaries of a particular country, international operators have over the years been able to assist each other during an industrial dispute. Steps will be taken to overcome this problem.

I.A.T.A. and its maintenance policies will also come under the scrutiny of Aircraft Engineers - International. Member Associations consider certain activities of the I.A.T.A. Technical Committee not to be in the interest of air safety.

Steps have been taken to expand the membership of AE-I and in this regard it is anticipated that Associations and Unions of Aircraft Engineers from the United States, Canada, Western European countries, South Africa, the Middle East and South-East Asia will join the consortium during the ensuing twelve months.


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