

Continued Airworthiness Notification to the International Community

To: Civil Aviation Authorities

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Subject: This message provides updated information regarding FAA continued operations safety activity related to the Boeing Model 737-8 and 737-9 (737 MAX) fleet.

Situation description: On March 11, 2019, the FAA issued a CANIC discussing the status of the Ethiopian Airlines Flight ET302, Boeing Model 737-8 accident investigation. At that time, we indicated we are closely examining all data associated with the accident.

On March 13, 2019, the investigation of the Flight ET302 accident developed new information from the wreckage concerning the aircraft's configuration just after takeoff that, taken together with newly refined data from satellite-based tracking of the aircraft's flight path, indicates some similarities between the Flight ET302 and Lion Air Flight JT610 accidents. This new information warrants further investigation of the possibility of a shared cause for the two incidents that needs to be better understood and addressed.

Therefore, the FAA issued an Emergency Order of Prohibition, which prohibits the operation of Boeing Company Model 737-8 and Boeing Company Model 737-9 airplanes by U.S. certificated operators or in U.S. territory.

We continue to pursue and analyze any information discovered during the investigation as it becomes available. The cockpit voice recorder (CVR) and flight data recorder (FDR) have been found, but the data has not been processed at this time.

Aircraft/engine make, model, and series: The Boeing Company Model 737-8 and 737-9 airplanes (737 MAX)

U.S.-registered fleet: 74 airplanes as of March 11, 2019

Worldwide fleet: 387 airplanes as of March 11, 2019

Operators: As of March 11, 2019; 59 operators worldwide: 9 Air, Aerolineas Argentinas, Aeromexico, Air Canada, Air China, Air Fiji, AIR ITALY S.P.A., American Airlines, Arkefly, Britannia Airways AB, Cayman Airways, China Eastern Airlines, China Southern Airlines, Comair, COPA Airlines, Corendon Airlines, Eastar Jet, Enter Air Sp. Z O.O., Ethiopian Airlines, Fertitta Enterprises, Inc., flydubai, Fuzhou Airlines Co., Ltd, Garuda Indonesia, Gol Linhas Aereas S.A., Hainan Airlines, Icelandair, Jet Airways, Jet Aviation Business Jets, JSC Aircompany SCAT, Kunming Airlines, Lion Air, Globus Airlines, LOT Polish Airlines, Lucky Air, Mauritania Airlines, Mongolian Airlines MIAT, Norwegian Air International Lt, Norwegian Air Norway, Norwegian Air Shuttle AS, Norwegian Air Sweden, Okay Airways Company Limited, Oman Air, Qatar Airways, Royal Air Maroc, Shandong Airlines, Shanghai Airlines, Shenzhen Airlines, SilkAir, Smartwings, Southwest Airlines, SpiceJet, Sunwing Airlines Inc., Thai Lion, TUI Airlines Belgium, TUI Airways, Turkish Airlines (THY), United Airlines, WestJet, Xiamen Airlines

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