



PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE JANUARY 11TH, 2020 BOARD MEETING
Doubletree Hotel Atlanta Airport
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Board,

Jan 11th, 2020

I'm looking forward to 2020 as we continue to evolve and participate in industry meetings to enhance and support the role of the Flight Dispatcher.

This past year has been another great story for us. The following are some of the highlights:

-we have expanded our Board meeting frequencies, with a commitment to include an additional meeting while attending the annual ADF Summit. We conducted a Board meeting in Dallas on October 7th, 2019. I want to discuss today our procedure for continuing to do this.

-our membership totals are ever increasing, with the potential to reach over 2000 members in 2020. We are seeing groups such as FRALDA and delegations from Nigeria develop along with our growing presence in South America through the great efforts of Marcelo Sana and APADA.

-Our Global ATM efforts have allowed us to participate and be included on the NATSPG team and be invited to participate in other industry events such as SAR

-industry support and focus has been extremely well reflected by our level of sponsorship. This has been amazing work by Sevda Tantan, who will be mentoring Paul Mason in this role after the AGM in YYZ.

-this has led to further improved resources as we will hear from our Finance report. It also allows us to establish a budget for our industry opportunities in 2020.

-globally and partnering with EUFALDA, there is an improving relationship with EASA with inclusion in the TEC group.

-South American advances continue, with APADA developments and a new resource for Latin American growth via Juan Moreno.

-The CBT Training manual is ready for a test phase

As per previous reports, I'm following up with Transport Canada on proposed segment workloads defined by the Air Carriers as a component of their workload analysis.

-Establishing requirements for Type C carriers to incorporate Flightwatch and other Type A and Type B requirements of Operational Control.

We maintain our virtual office as follows:

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We have renewed terms of our IFALDA Florida location for another period in terms of tax requirements. I can now update that a considered relocation to Canada, will have nil tax issues, based on being a “non-profit organization.” Any future relocation thoughts to Canada would also have to include the global performance of the Canadian currency versus the US dollar. This can be discussed at future Board meetings.

In April, I was invited to participate as a speaker for the A-CDM conference in London, England by GTI Aviation. My report will be made available on the website

GTI also invited me to speak as a Drone convention in London, England in September.

I greatly look forward to having our AGM in YYZ and the opportunity to promote our great profession in my own country.

I would like to thank the Board and Directors for all their hard work and support. I would further like to thank Dave Porter for his constant support as Special Assistant to the President.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Russ Williams', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Russ Williams - President IFALDA