



OFFICE OF THE MINISTER OF FINANCE & PLANNING

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Mr Willie Walsh
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Dear Mr Walsh:

Air Jamaica/British Airways Cooperation: London Route

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated April 19, 2007 outlining points in favour of Air Jamaica entering into a cooperative agreement with British Airways on the London route. I am grateful that you have considered the matter of such importance that you have become personally involved.

I know that you are aware that we have also been in discussions with Virgin Atlantic. The fact is that both organizations have made proposals to Air Jamaica which are roughly equal in monetary terms. In the final analysis, this has become a "judgement" call.

I regret to inform you that I have decided that the agreement on the route should be made with Virgin Atlantic. Whilst I would understand your disappointment, I have no doubt that British Airways will continue its long period of association with Jamaica and Jamaicans.

Yours sincerely,


Omar Davies, MP
Minister

Copy to: Mr O K Melhado, Chairman – Air Jamaica

✓ Mr Mike Conway, President & CEO – Air Jamaica

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