



05 October 2009

To: Executive Board
IFALPA Officers
Member Associations

Dear Sir/Madam

International Day of Air Traffic Controllers 20 October 2009

The International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers' Association (IFATCA) is the worldwide organisation representing more than fifty thousand air traffic controllers in 137 countries.

The goals of their Federation are:

- To promote safety, efficiency, and regularity in international air navigation.
- To assist and advise in the development of safe and orderly systems of air traffic control and new procedures and facilities.
- To promote and uphold a high standard of knowledge and professional efficiency among air traffic controllers.
- To closely cooperate with international and national aviation authorities and institutions concerned with air navigation.
- To sponsor and support the passage of legislation and regulations which will increase and protect the safety of air navigation.
- To strive for a world-wide federation of Air Traffic Controllers' Associations

They are our colleagues and the International Day of Air Traffic Controllers occurs annually on 20 October.

This year we are asking all our members to acknowledge the incredible work that Air Traffic Controllers achieve by announcing the International Day of Air Traffic Controllers during the broadcasts to the passengers on board the flights for that day.

Thank you for your assistance with this.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Woodward'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the bottom.

Captain Richard Woodward
Executive Vice President
Technical Standards