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5th March, 2019

Capt. Charles Beneby
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Dear Sir:

Ref: Safety Issue SI-19-00011 (Wildlife Accessing Runway at Rum Cay Airport MYRP)

The Air Accident Investigation Department (AAID) is an independent government agency charged by Minister for Tourism and Aviation with investigating every civil aviation accident in the Bahamas. We determine the probable cause of the accidents and issue safety recommendations aimed at preventing future accidents.

In addition, we carry out special studies concerning aviation safety and through the process of tracking the voluntary and confidential reporting scheme, inform relevant agencies and organizations of hazards that exists within the industry.

On March 4th, 2019, the AAID was made aware via its voluntary reporting system, of unsafe conditions at the Rum Cay Airport due to wildlife trespassing onto the runway. The details of the resulting safety recommendations may be found in the attached report.

The AAID is vitally interested in this recommendation because it is designed to prevent accidents and save lives. It should also be noted that as an aerodrome frequented by AOC holders, there is a certain standard that is expected regarding safety. We would appreciate a response within 30 days, detailing the actions you have taken or intend to take to implement this recommendation.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Delvin R. Major', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Delvin R. Major
Chief Investigator of Air Accidents