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Media Walk-Through and Thermal Equipment Donation Ceremony at Robert Llewellyn Bradshaw International Airport

Wednesday October 7, 2020 – Bird Rock Basseterre.

As part of the gamut of activities in preparation for SCASPA and the St. Kitts Government's re-opening of the Robert Llewellyn International Airport on October 31, 2020, two events were held on site at the Arrival Hall on Wednesday October 7 starting at 10 a.m.

The first event saw the Minister with responsibility for SCASPA, Honourable Lindsay FP Grant, outlining to the invited media and all stakeholders present the two phases of the retrofitting works already in progress, and the 'fluid' operating rules and processes that will be implemented at the airport when it reopens.

Minister Grant outlined that RLbia retrofitting project will include, but not limited to:

- Installation of sneeze-guards throughout;
- Construction of an air conditioned Welcome Center on the ramp;
- A medical center with isolation units (also on the ramp);
- Reconfiguration of the Immigration Hall into two sections; one section for regular Immigration processing and one section for passengers awaiting medical screening;
- Refitting of the VIP Lounge into a medical screening room, with screening stations and thermal screening equipment.

Heading this project are Brisbane O'Garro Alvaranga (BOA) as Architects and Baley Project Management & Construction as contractor.

In outlining the operating protocols to be in effect from October 18, the Minister placed emphasis on:

1. Access Restrictions:
 - *RLbia will be accessible only to passengers, workers, tenants and stakeholders conducting business at RLbia.*
 - *Casual drive-through by the general public will not be permitted.*
 - *The branch of the National Bank and the restaurant located at RLbia will not be serving the general public, only airport users.*
2. Parking Restrictions:
 - *Parking by the general public will be restricted; drop off only.*
3. Only NEOC and Tourism approved Taxi and Tour Operators will operate out of the airport.
4. Wearing of mask is mandatory for all persons entering the compound, unless valid documentation is presented from a medical practitioner, or unless its children under the age of 6.

5. Vehicular traffic will not be allowed under the shaded canopy of the terminal building as this space will be reserved for the queuing of passengers.
6. Distance markers, relevant signage, video infomercial, ramped-up security patrol and the mandatory PPE's will all for part of the new normal at RLbia.

The media representatives were given a walk-through to get a first hand visual of what the retrofitted Arrival area, starting from the tarmac/apron, will be expected to look like and the respective functions.

The second activity that morning was the hand-over ceremony where Innotec donated to SCASPA thermal equipment to be used for incoming passengers as the borders reopens on October 31st.

These equipment represent the latest technology in detecting temperature levels and is worth over EC\$50,000.

The package consists of thirty-four (34) TriMedika non-contact medical-grade thermometers (*image left below*); and one (1) temperature screening thermographic camera designed to detect elevated body temperatures and can be used for rapid and preliminary temperature screening (*image right below*).



Mr. Damion Hobson, Chairman of SCASPA's Board of Directors thanked the representative from Innotech Services Limited, Mr. Anthony DaSilva, for the welcoming donation on behalf of Board, Management and Staff.

Officer in charge, Ms. Tuffida Stewart expressed thanks to the media and stakeholders on behalf of SCASPA for their attendance.

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