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LIAT Extends Suspension of Passenger Services

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ST. JOHN'S ANTIGUA — LIAT will extend the suspension of passenger services to May 15 in light of the continuing coronavirus pandemic.

LIAT Chief Executive Officer, Julie Reifer-Jones, explained that extension of the suspension was based on a review by the Board of Directors and Executive Management of the airline. "Several destinations have extended their border closures and instituted strict travel restrictions which mean that passengers are unable to travel," she said. Mrs. Reifer-Jones noted that the airline was however still operating cargo flights to several destinations.

The airline has issued an updated travel advisory for all affected passengers. Passengers booked during the period of suspension will automatically have their bookings cancelled and will receive a full credit, the company said. Passengers will be able to rebook as soon as the airline resumes passenger services.

Mrs. Reifer-Jones acknowledged that this was an extremely difficult time for the airline, its employees and other stakeholders across the region. While the airline continues to operate with a skeletal staff, she advised that the airline was working to resume operations across the LIAT network as soon as it was feasible to do so.