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Media Statement By Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited (YACL)

Update on Biman Bangladesh Airline Accident at Yangon International Airport

Yangon, 9 May 2019 – Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited (“YACL”), operator of Yangon International Airport (“YIA”), wishes to provide an update on an incident involving a Biman Bangladesh Airlines (“Biman Airlines”) plane yesterday evening. The Bombardier Dash 8 - Q400 aircraft skidded and overran the runway at 18:51 local time Wednesday during its second attempt at landing amidst bad weather and poor visibility conditions.

All 35 people on board, including one child, were swiftly evacuated and provided with proper treatment and support. As of 9th May 2019, 6:00 pm, 15 passengers and 5 crew members have been warded in various hospitals in Yangon for minor injuries.

Mr. Ho Chee Tong, Chief Executive Officer of YACL, said: “The well-being of the passengers is our top priority. We have spared no effort to assist all parties involved including families of the injured. We wish all affected passengers a speedy recovery.”

18 domestic and international flights were diverted to the nearest available airports due to the temporary closing of the runway during the accident.

Meanwhile, debris was cleared and, normal operations at YIA have resumed since 09:01 PM on 8th May.

For further information, please contact media.relations@yangon.aero.

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About Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited (YACL)

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Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited (YACL) operates and manages Yangon International Airport (YIA), the gateway to Myanmar. As the company responsible for Myanmar’s largest and busiest airport, YACL sets the standard for YIA as a high-performing aviation hub, built on a foundation of daily excellence in infrastructure, operations and management.

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Strategically located between India and China, Myanmar is less than six hours by air from two-thirds of the world's population. With Myanmar gaining popularity as a travel destination, YACL is committed to scaling up YIA's handling capacity for visitor traffic while continuously providing quality experiences for passengers and airlines alike.

YIA has 47 retail and service stores and 23 F&B outlets. With 32 international airlines connecting Myanmar to 30 destinations, YIA served a total of 6.035 million passengers in 2018.