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The number of passengers increased to 6 percent

Despite the financial crisis that has plagued the world giving direct impact on airline companies and different airports, with the decline in the number of passengers and flights, the management of Pristina International Airport is pleased to announce that the number of passengers and flights at our airport are continuing to grow.

In January 2009, the number of passengers in Pristina International Airport is 6 percent more than in January 2008, while in January 2009 the passengers' nr. is 82,511, comparing with January 2008 while the passengers' nr. was 77,824. Expressed in numbers, are 4687 passengers more than the last year.

The number of flights during the month of January 2009, increased by 9.80 percent compared with January 2008.

During this month, the airport has processed 392 versus 357 flights processed a year ago.

"Although it is still too early to say that we as a country and as a company will not be affected from global financial crisis, but the statistics of passengers during January are very encouraging for us. We should note that over 90 per cent of passengers passing through Pristina International Airport, are our fellows living in Western countries, countries which are at the peak of the financial crisis," said Managing Director of PIA, Mr. Agron Mustafa.

Also, the increase in the number of passengers according to him, binds even more the company management to take additional measures to further improve passengers' services through investments which have already begun and the willingness of staff.

Pristina International Airport, last year processed the largest number of passengers in its history, 1 million and 137 thousand commercial passengers and around 100 thousand military passengers.

