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AIRPORT, 24 HOURS IN FUNCTION

Prishtina International Airport, since today will be in function during 24 hours.

Decision to work 24 hours was brought by PIAs' Management following the expressed interest by airlines, professional, technical and financial surveys that had positive outcome for safe flights in PIA and in close cooperation with the state agencies such Police and Customs of Kosovo as well as in full coordination with Civil Aviation Authority of Kosovo.

PIAs' Management brought a decision on extension of flight schedule at PIA to 24 hours, considering this decision of PIA as one of the most important within the last years and that constitutes a great step for the company, development of civil aviation and for Kosovo as whole.

Up to date, Prishtina International Airport has worked starting from 6:00 in the morning up to the 22 in the evening.

First flight during the night shift is expected tonight by the Slovenian airline, "Adria Airways", which aircraft is expected to arrive in Prishtina estimated 01h, after midnight.

Same airline, Adria Airways, has confirmed that it will have 7 flights per week in this schedule, whilst those other 4 flights during the night shift are confirmed by Croatian airline "Croatia Airlines"

"There is a sufficient interest by airlines in order to fly during the night schedule. Currently, there are two airlines that have confirmed flights in this schedule, but during the summer season we expect increase further the number of airlines that will operate during the night schedule. Another airline that is expected to commence with flights during night schedule is "Swiss International", said Agron Mustafa, Prishtina International Airport Managing Director.



According to him, decision to work 24 hours opens an perspective to foreign investments in Kosovo, too.

“An airport that works 24 hours proves stability of one country, in economic and politic aspect. I think and believe that decision to work 24 hours will be welcomed also for investors that wants to invest their capital in Kosovo, since it will be easier for them regarding the possibility to traffic their goods and capital”, said further Mr. Mustafa.

Decision to work *non-stop*, will create bigger facilities also for the passengers and airlines that do operate to and from **Prishtina International Airport**.

Now, airlines have the possibility to operate on every schedule in order for them to catch best possible time frames other international routes and as such to save on passengers' time that flew towards third countries from Prishtina.