ASSI INTRODUCTORY VIDEO SCRIPT

'Everybody Has Responsibility'

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At ASSI, we work hard to help enhance aviation safety in the UK Overseas Territories.

But everybody has responsibility.

ASSI is a not-for-profit organisation that collaborates with the territories to help them achieve and maintain international regulatory standards and so protect the people who fly there. With well over a million passengers every year flying in and out of the territories, our role has never been more important.

Air safety is a complex world, so what do we actually do?

The role of ASSI varies depending on who we are working with, and there are a number of key areas where we offer support.

We manage the legal framework in line with all international rules and draft and maintain the Overseas Territories Aviation Requirements. This means that all territories, and those of you who work within them, are operating to a consistent and robust system.

Our expertise lies in the setting and raising of standards, but we don't have the local knowledge and experience that comes from operating within the territory - that's where you come in. We very much depend on your on-going feedback as to the success of these regulations and encourage you to work with us – we can't get it right on our own.

In addition to drafting the regulations, we provide information and support on how to implement them – keeping the right people updated and informing them of any changes. We will work closely with you to ensure understanding and together we can measure their effectiveness.

We may be geographically spread, but ASSI and the UK Overseas Territories share a collective responsibility to look after aviation safety and security.

The world is more connected than ever, and a safe and reputable aviation industry is vital to growing economies, maintaining tourism and helping provide lifeline services.

Where a territory has an existing Aviation Authority, we check that our expertise is aligned and that everyone is getting the best from the system, visiting regularly to explore opportunities for improvement. This keeps the UK government happy that together we are maintaining standards.

For those territories that don't yet have their own authority we do a bit more and, at the request of the Governor, act as their aviation regulator.

In other territories we can share responsibility with the Aviation Authority, providing support where needed.

At ASSI, our goal is to support sustainability within the UK Overseas Territories; and in order to achieve this, we offer advice and on-going training. This is incredibly important in standardising the approach to oversight and ensuring there is appropriate support for key people on the ground.

ASSI also works with the United States, providing evidence of safety oversight which meets international rules, and contributes to the decision on whether routes can be granted into America. This can only benefit the territories further and creates scope for economic growth.

By working together, we can ensure that aviation standards across the territories continue to remain high. It is essential we have 2-way communication and collaboration, and an understanding of each other's needs and requirements, in order to continue to meet international regulatory rules.

Our aim is to enhance safety, develop local capability and support sustainability and we encourage you to share in that vision and help keep everybody safe whilst flying in and out of the UK Overseas Territories.

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