



TAAG adds a new aircraft DASH 8 400 model to the fleet

The new aircraft that arrived today at Luanda International Airport is the last of six aircraft ordered from the Canadian company "De Havilland of Canada Limited", concerning a phased delivery calendar.

Luanda 02-07-2022: TAAG Angola Airlines has been gradually reinforcing the fleet and today received another DASH 8 400 model aircraft, increasing availability in domestic and regional connections overall. This aircraft is very reliable and above all, with lower operational cost when compared to other B737 models. Thus, is extremely efficient for domestic connections and suitable for medium-haul international routes such as Windhoek (Namibia), Maputo (Mozambique) or Kinshasa (Democratic Republic of Congo).

The DASH 8 400 belongs to the turbo-propeller class, carrying 74 passengers, namelly, 64 in economy class and 10 in business class. Symbolically, this aircraft was baptized as «Dande» and registered as «D2-TFF». A highlight for Olívio Patrício (Captain) and Paulo Correia (Pilot) as they had the noble mission to bring the aircraft «home».

Currently, the TAAG fleet comprises 21 aircraft, namely the Dash 8-Q400 (six aircraft), Boeing 737-700 (seven aircraft), Boeing 777-200 (three aircraft), and Boeing 777-300 (five aircraft).

The fleet diversification within (but not limited to) the DASH 8 400 new models bring greater profitability and cost savings to TAAG's operation, as well as balancing the ratio between the number of aircraft and destinations typologies (long-haul vs medium-haul). Globally, and from a strategic point of view, this fleet optimization allows the company to consider the potential/business case for (re)opening new routes geographically close to Angola.

The DASH 8 400 is a modern, fast, and comfortable aircraft, overall valuable benefits for passengers.

About TAAG

TAAG Angola Airlines was founded in 1938 and it is based in Luanda, Angola's capital city. For more than 80 years TAAG has connected Angolans with its key domestic and international markets. TAAG is the leading airline in the country, recognized worldwide for its strong cooperate high yield market, having grown its current network to 14 domestic and 12 international destinations. Its fleet allows, in addition to passenger transport, air cargo services which have become essential for the Angola's growth and development. TAAG is a company that proud itself from long and recognized history of service and performance improvement.

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