

The Honorable
Anthony Mahler
Minister of Tourism and Diaspora Relations
Belize City, Belize

Panama City, 27 of November 2023

Dear Minister Mahler,

Further to our recent meeting in Belize City, ALTA the Latin American and Caribbean Air Transport Association is willing to cooperate with the Ministry of Tourism and participate in a Working Table with the local stakeholders, whose objective is to increase tourism flow into Belize as part of the government's overall policy on sustainable tourism and air travel. The goal is to increase a flow specially from Latin America and the Caribbean, taking into consideration that traditionally the origin of tourists has been reduced to the US, Canada and to a less extent from Europe.

It is a fact that two out of three hotel rooms offered in the country remain unoccupied during the year, and this can be improved. This is why we suggest that a Working Table that includes all the stakeholders is to be convened at your earliest convenience to discuss this situation and find solutions.

Please find attached a state of the tourism industry report on Belize with key indicators, prepared by our ALTA team.

Our ALTA staff members, Jaime Escobar, Head of Fuel and Airport Charges, iescobar@alta.aero, and Juan Sarmiento, Head of Economics and Statistics jsarmiento@alta.aero are ready to participate actively in the Working Table.

Yours sincerely,

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