MEMBERS of the public are hereby notified that Mattala Rajapaksa International Airport located at Mattala in the administrative areas of Hambantota and Lunugamvehera Divisional Secretariats in Hambantota District of the Southern Province, will be commissioned on 18th March 2013 for operation of domestic and international air transport services. Accordingly aircraft arriving in Sri Lanka or departing to overseas destinations may land at or depart from Mattala Rajapaksa International Airport respectively and such aircraft may disembark and embark, passengers cargo and mail as applicable on such flights at the airport.

Every aircraft operating into and out of Mattala Rajapaksa International Airport shall conform to the applicable national laws, regulations, rules and implementing standards and also the established procedures relating to entry and departure of aircraft, which are published in the Sri Lanka Aeronautical Information Package, Published by the undersigned.

Every departing and arriving passenger shall conform to the applicable national laws, regulations, rules and implementing standards and also the established procedures relating to entry and departure of persons and baggage and they may be subject to the applicable screening processes that will be performed by the respective government authorities in charge of customs, immigration and emigration, aviation security, public health and plant and animal quarantine.

All inbound or outbound cargo including mail and other articles shall be in conformity with the applicable national laws, regulations, rules and implementing standards, and also the established procedures relating to entry and departure of cargo, mail and other articles which are published in Sri Lanka Aeronautical Information Package and such cargo, mail and other articles may be subject to the applicable screening processes that will be performed by the respective government authorities in charge of customs, aviation security, public health and plant and animal quarantine.
No person inclusive of any item carried by that person or vehicle shall enter or remain in any area which is designated as Security Restricted Area of the airport unless such person or vehicle has been issued with a valid airport access permit by the Airport Operator and the access permit is displayed conspicuously. The foregoing condition is not applicable to a passenger holding valid travel documents and a current boarding pass for an inbound flight terminating at or outbound flight originating from the airport.

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