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The Cathay Pilots Union  
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Dear Sir / Madam,

**Cathay Pacific Airways  
Approved Flight Time Limitation Scheme (CPA AFTLS)**

Your e-mail dated 6<sup>th</sup> December 2007 refers.

CAD's comments are as follows:

**1. Reserve Duty.**

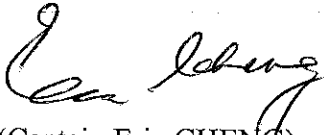
- a) The Reserve (Standby) provisions in the Cathay Pacific Airways AFTLS dated January 2005 were discussed in detail with the airline and the current President of the HKAOA in late 2004.
- b) A trial period was agreed, and subsequent to this successful trial the Reserve procedures as currently outlined in the said AFTLS were retained.
- c) I must also advise you that CAD has reviewed the latest reserve duty procedures outlined by other regulatory authorities and for information neither the UK CAA nor the Australian CASA have retained the "4 Hour" rule within their 'standby' procedures.

**2. Rostered Duty Following Positioning Flight.**

- a) From the end of duty on the 26 April and the commencement of the Positioning flight on the 27 April the crew member had in excess of 15 hours rest.
- b) The crew member then positioned, from London to Hong Kong.

- c) The crew member then had a further rest period in excess of 16 hours prior to commencing reserve duty.
- d) The crew member therefore had two rest periods, which included a physiological rest period, albeit the two rest periods were separated by a positioning flight, prior to commencing his/her reserve duty.
- e) It is therefore considered that Cathay Pacific Airways and the crewmember concerned have complied with CAD 371 paragraphs 2.1 and 4.2, and Articles 54 and 55 of the HK(AN)O.

Yours sincerely,



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for Director-General of Civil Aviation

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