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### **Fiji Airports and Skykraft announce signing Memorandum of Understanding**

Fiji Airports and Skykraft Pty Limited (Australia) have launched a new collaboration to share information and technical expertise as part of the development of Skykraft's commercial space-based Air Traffic Management (ATM) service.

Fiji Airports General Manager Air Traffic Management & Operations, Amit Singh, and Chairman of Skykraft, AVM (Retd) Mark Skidmore, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to work together on the PoC pathfinder activities.

“This MoU will allow Fiji Airports to explore opportunities to understand space-based Air Traffic Management and further develop our working relationship with Skykraft,” said Mr Singh. “Fiji Airports looks forward to offering our expertise to further this technical evolution.”

The first satellites in Skykraft's ATM constellation will be launched in October 2022 with SpaceX and the collaboration with Fiji Airports will be part of the Proof of Concept (PoC) activities demonstrating the application of space-based surveillance and communication technologies in the aviation eco-system.

Skykraft's Space-based Air Traffic Management constellation will improve the safety and efficiency of global air travel by providing global surveillance and communication for all air traffic.

The PoC activities will utilise the spacecraft designed and developed by Skykraft, and Fiji Airports will provide technical expertise and knowledge regarding their ATM system.

Chairman of Skykraft, Mr Skidmore says, “we look forward to continuing to work closely with Fiji Airports to demonstrate Skykraft's capability to deliver commercial space-based surveillance and communication technologies for Air Traffic Management.”

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*NOTE: Interviews with Skykraft Chairman Mark Skidmore available on request.*

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## **About Fiji Airports**

About us: Fiji Airports (FA) is a fully owned Government Commercial Company established on April 12th, 1999, under the Public Enterprise Act 1996. FA owns and manages Nadi International Airport, *Fiji's Gateway to the World*. It also manages, on behalf of Government, the Nausori International Airport and 13 other outer island airports. For more information about Fiji Airports you can log on to our website on [www.fjjairports.com.fj](http://www.fjjairports.com.fj)

## **About Skykraft**

Skykraft is an Australian space services company based in the ACT that specialises in the design, manufacture and operation of satellite constellations for the delivery of global services.

Skykraft is currently focused on launching a constellation for space-based Air Traffic Management services during 2023 to commence commercial operations in 2024. The first launch of this constellation will be a 300kg satellite, which will not only be the largest Australian manufactured space object ever launched but also bigger than the sum of all Australian space objects launched to date. For more information about Skykraft, please visit: [www.skykraft.com.au](http://www.skykraft.com.au)