

## **Press Release**

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*“Following the Department of Civil Aviation policy in RAK regarding the development and enhancement of the working staff at RAK airport, a series of training workshops have been held regarding new ways and methods of fire fighting” said Mohammad Al Khuder, member of the Economic Committee of Airport Council.*

The manager of Civil Aviation said, “These exercises come under the requirements of International civil aviation organisationa to check the ability of the airport and all related departments on how to control any fire. The fire department staged a fire accident at the airport to train all the workers over there on how to evacuate the airport buildings during emergencies. The entire airport staff was part of this training under the supervision and control of the fire and safety department.

Mr. Al Khuder said,“The International civil aviation organisation encourages all airports around the world to stage these kind of fake accidents on a regular basis for the safety of the airport, its operations and passengers”. He further added, “His Highness Sheikh Salem bin Sultan Al Qasimi, Chairman of the Department of Civil Aviation of RAK and Vice President of RAK Airways and member of aviation board has given his direction to the airport authority to fully commit to an emergency plan for these kinds of accidents. His Highness was at the training, observing it and expressing his satisfaction on the speed and efficiency that was displayed”.

Mr. Hassan Al Massri head of Fire and Safety Department added, "These series of practical training on the fire systems are very important for the safety of everyone. We should be able to control such accidents in real life, especially in such sensitive places, to keep any losses as minimum as possible.

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