



## **Air connections from Portugal to African Portuguese-Speaking Countries remain assured**

### **euroAtlantic airways with Sagres Agency reconnects Lisbon to Bissau on humanitarian flight**

The Portuguese company **euroAtlantic airways (EAA)**, which has operated with Guinea-Bissau since **2000** and **2001**, subsequently interrupted, until **2014** when the Portuguese-speaking country was deprived of direct air connections to Europe, with the support of the Authorities and **Government of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau**, in an initiative of the **SAGRES travel and tourism agency** in Bissau, in collaboration with **euroAtlantic**, the Guinean consumer choice brand, will hold a new special charter call for Guinea on **Saturday 7 July (Saturday)** - Bissau. **EAA's** operation in the current crisis situation of the **new Coronavirus** with closed air borders, is supported by the **Embassy of Guinea-Bissau in Portugal** and by Portuguese bilateral diplomacy in Bissau.

**The Director of SAGRES, Carla Gomes**, in the presence of the large loading capacity of the **euroAtlantic Boeing B767-300ER (184,612 kg at takeoff)**, which regularly serve her country, in this non-regular operation carried out in the current world environment, said the plane “**transporting tons of Sanitary Cargo, necessary to combat COVID-19, in addition to urns of deceased citizens Portugal of natural causes**” a gesture that families recognize to the Portuguese company. **EAA's** offer is chosen in the market for offering an extraordinary benefit to its passengers on flights “to and from” Africa, which reflect extraordinary savings for their wallets, being able to travel with two hold bags with **30 kg** of luggage each, in addition to a piece with **05 kg** in the cabin (total **65 kg**), a very captivating luggage.

The **euroAtlantic airways** flight (**MMZ-YU663**) has the announced departure from **Lisbon Humberto Delgado Airport (LIS)**, at **06:05 (UTC) local time 07:05**, forecasting to estimate **Oswaldo Vieira Airport (OXB)** in Bissau, by **10:40 (UTC time)**. On the return to Lisbon, the Portuguese plane (**Flight MMZ-YU664**), departure time announced for **12:45 (UTC time)**, carries the delegation of the **Prime Minister of Guinea-Bissau, Eng. Nuno Gomes Nabiam (53)** in charge since **February 28, 2020**. The **euroAtlantic** plane expects to estimate the Portuguese capital at **17:05 (UTC time) 18:05 local**.

**On the affective link between euroAtlantic airways and Guinea-Bissau**; the portuguese company and Guinea-Bissau have a **20-year** historical relationship, between **2000** and **2001** **EAA** provided support to the **SOGA** project, **Guinean Society of Aviation**, whose objective was to be the base of the future **Air Bissau**, using **SOGA** equipment from **euroAtlantic** connections to Europe. **EAA**, a competitive company in the Guinean market, awaits the lifting of restrictions that the **COVID-19** pandemic has lifted in order to resume regular service between Lisbon and Bissau. **EAA** continues to invest in the country's potential for tourism and underlying products, to support its economy and

services. The Bissau axis, Bijagós, an excellent hotel park in the capital and idyllic resorts on the islands, combined with the kindness of the people, use of the same language, aided by the well-being of the people, a common history, excellent cuisine, tranquility and security, despite on some occasions, there was a record of some political instability, which went unnoticed by the visitor, they were causing the increase in tourism revenues to benefit the finances and well-being of the populations. **EAA**, with the support of the **Guinean Ministry of Tourism**, launched (2017) the **1st Fam Trip of Portuguese Tour Operators** and has been investing in the promotion of tourist posters such as the Bissau Carnival, supporting the Embassy of Portugal in the Commemorations of the **Day of Porugal** and the Portuguese Communities, investing in actions to familiarize themselves with the press and public figures. The Bijagós are a showcase for this success, exclusive resorts like **Ponta Anchaca** where they predominated, French, Belgian and American customers, were registering high demand by the Portuguese issuing market.

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