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NEW MEMBERS AND ANIMAL ATTENDANTS

May 7, 2010

To Members and Friends of the Animal Transportation Association (ATA):

This will be my last message to you as President of your Association. I've held this office for 3 years now, and I wanted you to know what an honor it has been to represent you around the world. I hope that I've made a small difference in our industry of animal transport and that I've helped those that I've touched.

I regret not having more time to do even more work for you but can honestly say that I gave it my all. I'd like to recognize a couple of folks who made an impact on me. They are mostly Past-Presidents who I tried to learn from and who I saw as great men in this organization. I want to thank Joe Santarelli, Sr., Dr. Walter Woolf, Dr. George Winegar, and Alex Thiermann. Also, Cherie Derouin for her guidance and advice over the years.

I want to thank my current Executive Committee and Board of Directors who are Erik Liebegott (President-Elect), Chris Santarelli (Treasurer), Alex Thiermann (Past-President) and Tony Alessandrini, Bruce Clemmons, Bill Fekete, Cameron Hall, Andreas Kaufman,

Tom Kirk, Mike Kuntz, Anna Melino, Jeff Segers, Suzy Stennett, Nathalie Szturman, Eric Tam, Raymond Tilburg, Kelly Wheeler, and Jennifer Woods. These folks are tremendously talented and I owe so much to them.

Thank you to this Board and those before them, who have given of their time, talents and money to work for ATA and make our Association what it is today. And thank you for trusting me with this awesome honor for the past 3 years. I have had a blast! I look forward to staying involved with ATA in the future and I hope that you will continue to support the incoming Board.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our Association and keep up the great work in Animal Transport! I'll see you around!

All my best to you,



Lisa Schoppa, President

TRANSPORTATION TIDBITS

Desert return for Lufthansa Cargo

Andreas Otto, Lufthansa Cargo (LC) executive board member, expects the company to take 2-3 years to fully recover from the global recession.

Speaking at the Cargo Network Services conference in Miami this week, Otto said while there has been a recent upturn in business, LC will keep two MD-11 freighters in the desert. Two previously parked aircraft will return to the network this month and by late summer.

Acknowledging that the recent closure of Europe's airspace had drawn attention to the role of air cargo in global commerce, Otto suggested a European-based CNS could act as an effective government lobby to ensure the importance of the industry is maintained.

With its first A380 due to begin service from Frankfurt to Tokyo next month with a potential uplift of 11 tonnes, Otto said Lufthansa had appointed an arbitrator in a bid to settle a dispute with its pilots. In his presentation to CNS attendees, Otto displayed a picture of the pilots' car park at Frankfurt that was full of Porsches. He noted the dispute had more to do with a demand by the pilots' union to have a role in managing the company rather than another salary increase.

Commenting on the threat of a night-time ban at Frankfurt airport Peter Gerber, Lufthansa Cargo's CFO, said the company expected changes in current legislation next year that would justify a continuation of all cargo operations at its principal hub.

[Source:<http://www.aircargoworld.com>]

Brittin to replace Kelly at TSA

Doug Brittin, current manager of air cargo programs at the US Transportation Security Administration (TSA), is the organization's new general manager cargo.

Brittin made the announcement at the IATA Cargo Network Services conference in Miami on May 3.

The TSA's Certified Cargo Screening Program (CCSP) currently accounts for 40 percent of screened cargo at US airports. By August 1, all cargo on passenger aircraft departing the US will have to be screened prior to loading. The criteria also applies to transit cargo through the US. After August 1, Brittin said pressure will grow to apply the same standards for inbound air cargo and countries not meeting US requirements could be impacted.

Noting that the CCSP population has increased 37 percent over the past six months, Brittin suggested the August 100 percent challenge will fall mostly on the top 18 gateway airports where 94 percent of the uplift is on widebody aircraft. With less than 90 days to the deadline, Brittin expects a surge in shipper and indirect air carrier applications to join the CCSP program.

Airforwarders Association executive director Brandon Fried suggested that without greater engagement by the air cargo community, the August deadline might come as a surprise. TIACA security subcommittee chairman Jack Boisen observed that Thursday August 5 might be an "interesting" day at New York's JFK airport for uncommitted forwarders and shippers.

[Source:<http://www.aircargoworld.com>]

NEWS

1. Situation In Japan Is Not Under Control

The Cattle Site, May 6, 2010

JAPAN - There have been 13 outbreaks of foot and mouth disease (FMD) in Japan between 29 April and 5 May.

The first reported incidence in ten years, was confirmed on 20 April 2010.

Movement control areas were established on 20 and 28 April, and all new cases since then have occurred in these movement control areas.

Between 29th April and 5 May, a total of 515 cattle have been culled as well as 30,580 pigs.

The outbreaks are all in the South of Japan in the region of Miyazaki.

[Source:<http://www.thecattlesite.com>]

2. Animal Welfare Vote Will Push EC Into Action

The Dairy Site, May 6, 2010

EU - A vote on Animal Welfare Action Plan in the European Parliament sends a clear call for action to the European Commission (EC).

The European Parliament has called on the European Commission to take clear action to improve the welfare conditions of animals throughout the course of its current mandate, according to Eurogroup for Animals. Voting overwhelmingly in favour of Marit Paulsen's report on the evaluation and assessment of the animal welfare action plan 2006-2010, MEPs signalled that they would like to see measures put in place to develop, implement and enforce animal welfare legislation.

Eurogroup welcomes the strong support of MEPs for actions aimed at improving animal well-being in Europe. Parliamentarians' awareness of animal welfare and their willingness to send a strong message to the European Commission urging it to put animal welfare at the heart of its policy-making is a major step forward. The continued commitment of MEPs also mirrors the fact that the protection and welfare of animals is enshrined in Article 13 of the Lisbon Treaty which recently entered into force.

Animal welfare must be seen as a central element of a sustainable future for Europe and a renewed animal welfare action plan is essential to show the benefits good animal welfare can have on animal health, human health, quality agriculture and on rural economies, says Eurogroup.

Sonja Van Tichelen, Eurogroup's Director, said: "The adoption of this Report by the European Parliament shows that its members are in touch with the concerns of Europe's citizens. The majority with which it was adopted also sends a clear message to the European Commission that it must not only listen to these concerns but act. Animal welfare must be central to all future European legislation and the Commission must also look at all currently enacted legislation and improve its monitoring and enforcement. Today marks a major step forward and we, at Eurogroup for Animals, will continue to ensure that animal welfare remains central to European decision making."

Following the adoption of this report, Eurogroup will continue to work with the European Parliament to urge the Commission to produce a new Animal Welfare Action Plan as soon as possible and to ensure that it contains adequate measures to ensure all current EU law affecting animal welfare is enforced in all member states.

[Source:<http://thedairysite.com>]

3. FDA plans new standards for food, livestock transport

Drovers New Source, May 3, 2010

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is asking commercial food transporters to follow new guidance the agency is issuing today to reduce the chances of physical, chemical, biological and other risks during transportation of foods while the agency reviews current food safety transportation regulations.

In an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) published in today's Federal Register, the FDA has requested input on writing the new rules from all interested parties, including the food and transportation industries and consumer interest organizations. The ANPRM is the first step in creating new regulations to govern sanitary practices by shippers, carriers by motor vehicle or rail vehicle, receivers, and others engaged in the transportation of food products for people and animals.

The new industry guidance covers safety measures that should be employed while the regulations are being written and finalized. They include ensuring that food in

transit is maintained at appropriate temperatures; that such food is closely monitored for pests; that the vehicles used to transport foods are sanitary and in proper working condition; that pallets used are of good quality; and that sanitary measures are followed in the loading and unloading of foods.

"Our aim is to look at every component of the system to assess hazards, and to take science-based action where appropriate to maximize the safety of our food from farms all the way to consumers' tables," said FDA's associate commissioner for food protection, Jeff Farrar. "Although contamination of food product during commercial transport is relatively infrequent, the potential harm can be widespread and serious."

After evaluating comments received in response to the ANPRM, the FDA will propose specific regulations. The FDA will coordinate with the U.S. departments of Agriculture and Transportation in the rulemaking process.

[Source:<http://www.addthis.com>]

4. APHIS to out animal welfare violators

Industry News, May 3, 2010

USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service said it will resume issuing press releases announcing the outcome of enforcement actions related to violations of the Animal Welfare Act (AWA).

"It is clear that certain repeat offenders are not taking issues of animal welfare and humane treatment seriously enough," APHIS Administrator Cindy Smith said in a news release. "In turn, APHIS will not only be moving more swiftly to take enforcement action, but we will be making information about those enforcement actions available to the public on our Web site."

Beginning in June, APHIS will issue monthly press releases summarizing cases in which the agency is charging people and businesses with AWA violations. The press releases also will provide summary information about closed enforcement cases and penalties levied.

APHIS has not issued such press releases since 2002.

[Source:<http://www.meatingplace.com>]

5. Animals' 'Right to Privacy' Denied by Wildlife Documentary Makers, Academic Argues

Science Daily, April 29, 2010

Animals' 'right to privacy' is being denied by makers of television wildlife documentaries, according to a UK academic.

Dr Brett Mills from the University of East Anglia argues that while wildlife programmes can play a vital role in engaging citizens in environmental debates, in order to 'do good' they must inevitably deny many species the right to privacy.

Published in the current issue of *Continuum: Journal of Media and Cultural Studies*, Dr Mills' study analyses the 'making of' documentaries that accompanied the BBC wildlife series *Nature's Great Events* (2009). Exploring the debates on ethics, animal welfare and rights and human rights, Dr Mills suggests that animals have a

right to privacy but this is turned into a challenge for the production teams, who use newer forms of technology to overcome species' desire not to be seen.

"The aim of the research is to encourage debate, especially within the contemporary environmental context where it is now commonplace for us to question the impact of human movement and behaviour around the globe," explained Dr Mills, a senior lecturer in the School of Film and Television Studies. "In addition, though, perhaps there is an argument for some species, in some circumstances, not to be filmed. At the moment it seems that such arguments are never put forward."

He added: "This is an important debate for two reasons. Firstly, wildlife documentaries are usually seen as important pieces of public service broadcasting, and it's therefore worth us thinking about the ethical contexts within which such productions exist. Secondly, such documentaries are the key way in which many people 'encounter' a range of species from all over the globe, and so they therefore contribute to how we think about other species and human/animal interactions. By exploring what wildlife documentaries do, and how they do it, I hope to contribute to environmental debates at a time when the global effects of human behaviour are rightly under scrutiny."

At the heart of the documentary project is the necessity for animals to be seen. Dr Mills suggests that this necessity itself raises a series of ethical concerns, but these seem to be sidelined in the moral debates surrounding wildlife documentaries. The use of sophisticated aerial technology to film animals, for example, is justified because it does not disturb them, yet the question of whether it is appropriate to film animals in this way is not raised. Underpinning such action is an assumption that animals have no right to privacy, and that the camera crew have no need to determine whether those animals consent to being filmed.

Unlike human activities, a distinction of the public and the private is not made in the animal world. There are many activities which animals engage in which are common to wildlife documentary stories but which are rendered extremely private in the human realm; mating, giving birth, and dying are recurring characteristics in nature documentaries, but the human version of these activities remains largely absent from broadcasting.

Dr Mills said: "It might at first seem odd to claim that animals might have a right to privacy. Privacy, as it is commonly understood, is a culturally human concept. The key idea is to think about animals in terms of the public/private distinction. We can never really know if animals are giving consent, but they often do engage in forms of behaviour which suggest they'd rather not encounter humans, and we might want to think about equating this with a desire for privacy.

"When confronted with such 'secretive' behaviour the response of the wildlife documentary is to read it as a challenge to be overcome with the technologies of television. The question constantly posed by wildlife documentaries is how animals should be filmed: they never ask whether animals should be filmed at all."

A justification could be made for filming animals as they roam plains and deserts and engage in hunting activities because these are 'public' events, which take place in locations which include many other animals, and in which the animal being filmed makes no explicit attempt to not be seen. Yet animal activities which might equate with human notions of the private are treated in a way which suggests the public/private distinction does not hold. For example, many species could be read as desiring not to be seen -- animals in burrows and nests have constructed a living space which equates with the human concept of the home, and commonly do this in locations which are, by their very nature, explicitly hidden, often for practical purposes. "Human notions of privacy which rest on ideas of location or activity are ignored in terms of animals. It doesn't matter what an animal does, or where it does it, it will be deemed fair game for the documentary," said Dr Mills.

Distinctions between the public and private are enshrined within broadcasting regulations, with privacy placed within ethical categories of human rights. Central to broadcasters' relationship with its public is that in order to be filmed, the public must first offer their consent. If they don't, broadcasters must not infringe privacy unless there is a pressing justification to do so.

"While never made explicit, such regulations assume that such ethics are applicable to humans only," said Dr Mills. "The ethical standards applying to wildlife programmes are predominately predicated on ensuring that 'audiences should never be deceived or misled by what they see or hear', that is the 'contract with the viewer' is prioritised over the rights of the animals. In doing so, an assumption is made here about the differences between humans and animals, which have been at the heart of debates over animal rights and the ethical treatment of animals for millennia.

"The environmental and educational aspects of wildlife documentaries are assumed to trump ethical concerns about animals' privacy. It is an impressive piece of ethical manipulation, whereby privacy, so enshrined within the concepts of rights for humans, becomes merely a 'realm' which documentary makers can enter, justifying their actions as ones for the benefit of the very species whose rights are being moralised away."

[Source: <http://www.sciencedaily.com>]

Calendar of Events . . .

Conference Name	Conference Dates	Location	Contact Information
2010 ATA Annual Conference	May 9-12, 2010	Ft. Lauderdale, LF USA	ATA Annual Conference http://www.aata-animaltransport.org/conference.htm
9 th Annual Conference World Poultry 2010	May 18-20, 2010	London, UK	http://www.agra-net.com/worldpoultry
Combined Logistics Networks 8 th annual meeting	May 25-30, 2010	Bangkok, Thailand	www.combinedlogisticsnetworks.com/bangkokmeeting
Association of Zoo & Aquariums	September 11-16, 2010	Houston, TX USA	http://www.aza.org/annualconference/
European Association of Zoo & Aquariums	September 22-25, 2010	Verona, Italy	http://www.eaza.net/News/verona2010/Pages/Information.aspx
The Zoological Registrars Association 2010 Annual Conference	September 29-October 3, 2010	Alberta, Canada	http://www.zooregistrars.org
IPATA Conference	October 16-19, 2010	Montreal, QC, Canada	http://www.ipata.com/

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