Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

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Press Release

## <u>Aircraft operational restriction will be relaxed after the removal of</u> <u>the crashed aircraft of Asiana Airlines in Hiroshima Airport</u>

Removal works of the crashed of Asiana aircraft remaining beside the runway of Hiroshima Airport is scheduled to be accomplished from the night of 25<sup>th</sup> (Sat.) to the early morning of the 26<sup>th</sup> (Sun.) in April, 2015.

(Because the local weather has been better than expected and the preparation works has been accelerated, the removal works can be started a day earlier than the initial schedule. However, there may still be a possibility that the works could be delayed due to unexpected local situation.)

After completion of the removal works, the weather conditions for aircraft operation will be relaxed from the 26th (Sun).

<u>Weather conditions so far (17<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> in April)</u> To maintain Visual Meteorological Condition. More specifically, the ground visibility shall be 5,000m or above, and, cloud height from the ground surface shall be 300m or above.

Future weather conditions (After 26<sup>th</sup> in April)

The visibility toward the runway shall be 1600m or above. (The condition of the cloud height is not applicable)

Since the lighting facilities damaged by the accident was already restored provisionally on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April, the restriction of the weather conditions for landing caused by the damaged lighting facilities was already abolished.

While the localizer which was damaged by the accident and is still under restoration, provisional operation will be expected on next mid of May by using temporary facilities for which the installation work is being conducted currently.

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