New flight from Jamaica to bring home British travellers

Press release

Around 310 more British travellers will be able to return home from Jamaica on a second charter flight organised by the Government.



This follows the support the FCO has already provided to get people back on special flights from the Bahamas, Cuba, and Guyana, as well as a flight from Jamaica earlier this month in partnership with TUI. The FCO has also helped over 11,000 British travellers return from the Caribbean to the UK via commercial routes, including over 4,300 from Jamaica.

The flight will depart from Kingston, Norman Manley International Airport, to London Heathrow on 3 June 2020.

Minister for the Caribbean, Baroness Sugg, said:

I am very pleased we have been able to organise this special return flight for British travellers in Jamaica.

Getting people home as quickly as possible remains our priority and this latest flight will mean that we have helped more than 11,000 Britons return to the UK from across the Caribbean. Our team in Jamaica will ensure that any British travellers who remain receive the support they need.

Asif Ahmad, High Commissioner to Jamaica, said:

It has been a difficult time for British people waiting to return home from Jamaica. My team and I are pleased to offer this second charter flight from Kingston which would not be possible without the collaboration with the Jamaican authorities. I urge any Britons still in Jamaica wishing to return to the UK to book their flight

as soon as possible.

The UK Government is working with the airline industry and host governments across the world to bring back British travellers to the UK as part of the plan announced by the Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab (30 March) — with up to £75 million available for special charter flights to priority countries, focused on helping the most vulnerable travellers.

Notes to editors

- These flights are for British nationals normally resident in the UK and dependants travelling with a British national. Vulnerable British nationals will be prioritised. Vulnerable non-British UK residents with Indefinite Leave to Remain and other foreign nationals may be accommodated if there is sufficient capacity.
- To book flights, British travellers should check the <u>FCO Travel Advice</u> pages
- Those who are eligible to fly will be sent information on getting to airports and flight itineraries directly when their seat is confirmed
- Details regarding luggage allowance, flight costs and carriers will be available on the booking portal
- The British High Commission continues to provide consular support to any British travellers who remain in Jamaica

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