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Statement on American Airlines flight 5342

We, at the European Cabin Crew Association (EurECCA), are deeply saddened by the tragic collision that occurred on January 29, 2025, over Washington, D.C., involving a commercial airliner and a military helicopter. This heartbreaking incident has resulted in the loss of numerous lives of passengers and crew members.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to the families and friends of all those affected by this tragedy. We stand in solidarity with our colleagues in the aviation community during this difficult time. As representatives of cabin crew members across Europe, we are acutely aware of the dedication and commitment required to ensure passenger safety. This incident serves as a somber reminder of the inherent risks faced by aviation professionals.

We trust that the relevant authorities will conduct a thorough investigation to determine the cause of this collision and implement measures to prevent such incidents in the future. In these moments of grief, let us honor the memory of those lost by reaffirming our commitment to the highest standards of safety and professionalism in the aviation industry. With deepest sympathy,

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About EurECCA: established in Brussels in 2014, the European Cabin Crew Association, EurECCA, represents, protects and develops the rights and needs of cabin crew all over Europe. It is composed of cabin crew unions from European Union Member States as well as accession and bordering states and represents some 23,000 cabin crew accounting for 60% of all organized cabin crew in Europe. EurECCA has no political connections. EurECCA's work is around Cabin Crew working conditions, wages, social protection and health and safety at work.

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