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PEOPLE

GIAAEO – Meet the Team

Meet the officers of the Guam International Airport Authority Employee Organization (GIAAEO). The employee org. has been responsible for developing moral building activities and programs to benefit the employee members of the GIAA. See more on pg. 4.

PLACES

Airport Flags Fly at Half Mast

U.S. flags were ordered to be flown at half-staff on August 25th through September 1st in honor of the life and legacy of renowned country music icon, Dolly Parton, who passed away August 25th. Guam Governor Lou Leon Guerrero issued the directive in accordance with the presidential declaration from Washington, D.C.



EVENTS

Memorial Despidida for One of Our Own

On August 28, 2026, Airport management and staff, gathered at the Airport Terminal frontal road to welcome the family of the late Vicente “Ben” M. Meno, who brought him by the airport so that his colleagues could bid him a final farewell during an emotional memorial *despidida*. See more on pgs. 9–10.



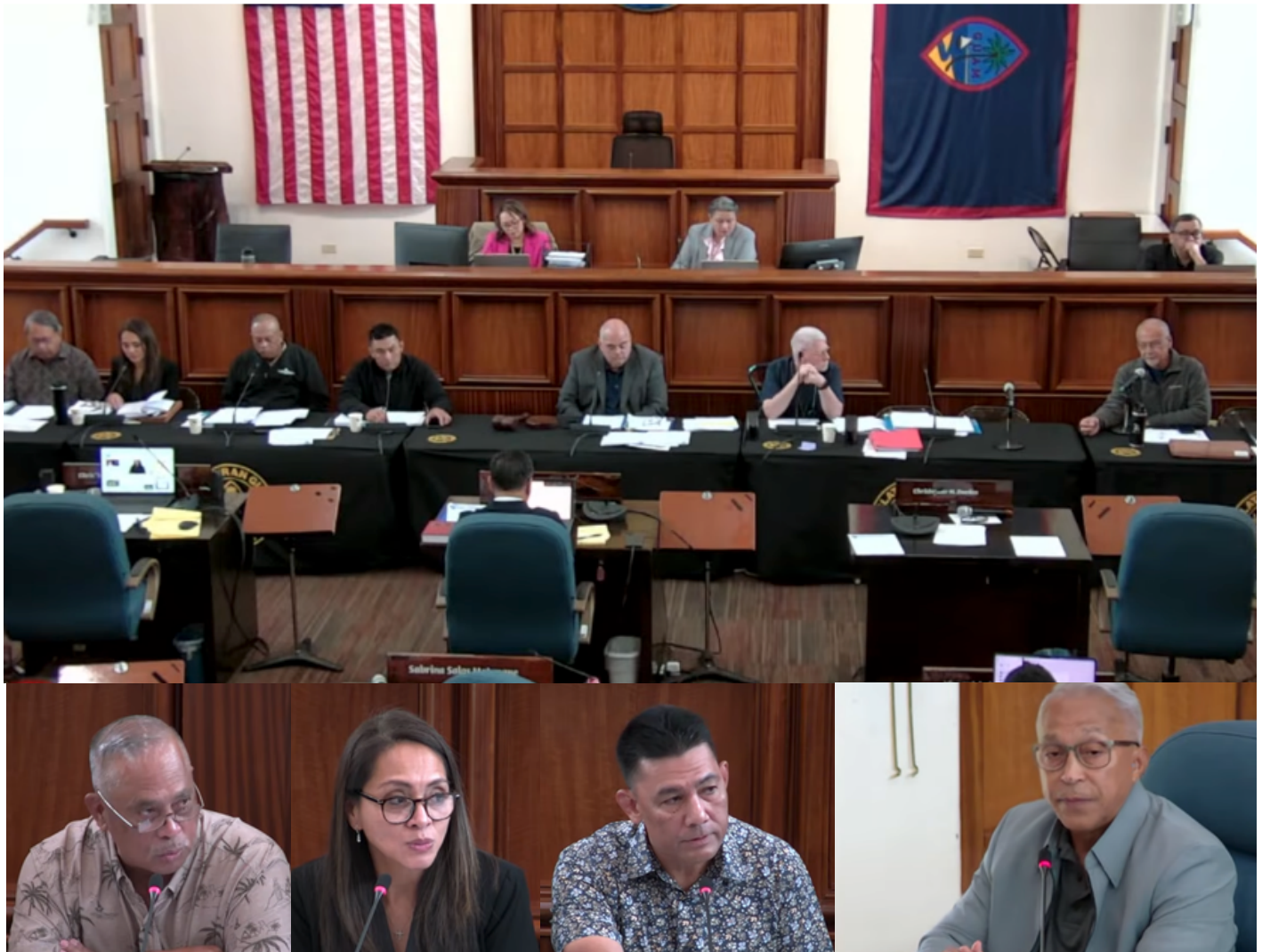
The Antonio B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam (GIAA) is a self-sustaining autonomous agency, charged with the mission to ensure the safety and security of the traveling public, maintain superior and reliable level of airport services, and support the development of air services and facilities which are integral to the island’s economic growth.

Passenger Flight Network (For SEPTEMBER 2026)

AIRLINE	DESINATION	FLIGHT NO.	ETA/ETD	FREQUENCY
	HNL	UA201/UA200	1805/0705	Daily
	HND	UA848/UA849	0420/1930	Daily (eff. Sep. 8 ETD 1935)
	NRT	UA827/UA873	1545/1700	Daily (eff. Sep. 8 ETA 1550)
		UA197/UA196	2145/1215	Daily (eff. Sep. 8 ETA 2150)
		UA865/UA864	2115/1300	Mon & Fri/Tue & Sat (eff. Sep. 11 ETA 2120)
		UA874/UA828	0140/0705	Tue, Thu, Sat, Sun; No OPS eff. 9/7
	KIX	UA151/UA150	1550/0715	Daily (No OPS Sep 4 & 29 eff. 9/8 ETA 1545)
	NGO	UA137/UA136	1610/0730	Mon, Thu, Fri (eff. 9/10 ETD 0735)
	MNL	UA184/UA183	0420/1905	Daily (ETA Wed/Sat 0545; eff. 9/9 ETA 0540; No OPS Sep 7 & 14)
		ROR	UA184/UA193	Wed & Sat/Tue & Fri
		UA192/UA183	0615/1915	Tue & Fri/Tue & Fri
		UA158/UA157	0510/2345	Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri/M, Wed, Thu, Sun
	SPN	UA076/UA174	1040/0805	Daily (eff. Sep 8 ETD 0800)
	TPE	UA166/UA165	1715/0745	Wed & Sat (eff Sep 9 ETA 1720 & ETD 0750)
	TKK	UA132/UA133	1745/0825	Thu & Sun/Wed & Sat (Sun ETA 1640 & SAT ETD 0930)
	NRT	UA154/UA155	1805/0755	Tue & Fri/Mon & Thu
		PNI	UA176/UA176	DEP Sun/ARR Mon (eff. Sep 13 ETD 2020)
		YAP	UA185/UA186	Wed & Sun/Tue & Sat
	MNL	PR110/PR111	0420/0600	Daily except Sep 8, 15, 22 & 29
	ICN	KE417/KE418	2335/0200+1	Daily
		KE415/KE416	1535/1720	Daily
	ICN	LJ915/LJ916	2345/0050+1	Daily (eff. Sep 6-23 ETA 0115 & ETD 0220)
	PUS	LJ917/LJ918	0335/0440	Daily
		LJ921/LJ922	0140/0250	Daily except Sep 8, 9, 12, 15, 16 & 19
	ICN	RS101/RS102	0100/0200	Daily except Sep 1, 2 & 5
	PUS	BX614/BX613	0010/0255	Tue, Wed, Sat (No OPS Sep 5-20)
	ICN-GUM-NRT	TW529/TW518	1505/1615	Charter Sep 21 & 23
	FUK-GUM-ICN	TW515/TW3530	1515/1615	Sep 19-20
	ICN-GUM-FUK	TW3531/TW516	1425/1520	Sep 22-23
	NRT-GUM-NRT	TW517/TW519	1515/1615	Sep 1-20
	ROP	**4301	1200/1230	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu & Fri

From the Desk of the Executive Manager

Presenting Our Airport's Financial Picture to the Guam Legislature



The A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam (GIAA) appeared before the 38th Guam Legislature during their special session beginning early in the month of August 2026. The key hearings took place on August 5th, 8th, and 10th with the Authority requesting for the Legislature's support of Bill 1 (9-S) which was transmitted to the Legislature by Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. GIAA officials testifying included Executive Manager John "JQ" Quinata, Deputy Executive Manager Dafne Mansapit-Shimizu, Board Chairman Brian Bamba, and Airport Expansion Consultant Frank Santos. Also present were Directors Edward Birn and Lester Carlson, Jr., of the Department of Administration and Bureau of Budget and Management Research, respectively. Bill 1 (9-S) would fund \$8.4 million to the GIAA to support a defeasance transaction in Fiscal Year 2026 which would prevent the need for the Authority to raise rates and charges for its airline partners during the current fiscal year. The Bill would also fund \$9.25

million in prior year aviation fuel tax which the GIAA recorded as a receivable from the government of Guam since Fiscal Year 2023. This portion of the appropriation would be used to reduce the rate increase necessary for Fiscal Year 2027. The Cost Per Enplanement (CPE) in the approved FY 2026 Budget was \$34.99. Although the appropriation was not sufficient to prevent a rate increase for the airlines in FY 2027, the appropriation coupled with significant efforts to reduce the Authority's Operations and Maintenance Budget led to a required increase of approximately 8.6% as opposed to the over 57% increase which may have had to be implemented without the passage of Bill 1 (9-S). The Authority is grateful to Governor Leon Guerrero, Chairman Jesse Anderson Lujan, and the members of the 38th Guam Legislature for their support of Bill 1 (9-S) and is committed to working closely with the airlines, government partners and other stakeholders to work towards a meaningful recovery in our tourism industry.

Getting to Know

Meet the Leadership Team - GIAAEO

The Guam International Airport Authority Employee Organization (GIAAEO) is a non-profit organization established for all employees of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam with the purpose to improve employee morale, foster good management/employee relations and to organize and execute events for the benefit and general welfare of member employees and their immediate families. The GIAAEO or "EO" as it's more commonly referred to by airport employees, has been an integral part of the Airport family for the past 40-plus years, presenting engaging social activities, providing financial benefits/assistance to members and their families, and sponsoring engagement in sporting events, and other charitable and meaningful community projects and activities toward the enhancement of the Authority, the community, and members through the efforts of the organization. The officers are elected for 2-

year terms, and they work with a representative from each of the eight (8) Airport divisions, to plan and execute their goals and objectives for their administrative term. Each division picks their "rep" for the EO to best represent their interest and serve as their voice in the organization. This new crop of officers is energized with a lot of great ideas and the can-do spirit to get things done! **Way to Go GIAAEO!**

The current officers at the helm are:

- **PRESIDENT Kristi L. Stone**
Administrative Assistant (Airport Police Division)
- **VICE PRESIDENT John Paul P. Mallari**
Airport Police Officer I (Airport Police Division)
- **TREASURER Lori Lynn Cruz**
Program Coordinator II (Property Management Office)
- **SECRETARY Ghernie L. Analista**
Airport Security Guard (Airport Police Division)

Logo Progression



GIAAEO & Airport Labor Day Committee BAKE SALE for Annual PicNic was a HIT!



GIAA Meets with Signatory Airline Partners

Signatory airlines are commercial air carriers that have signed a formal, long-term operating and lease agreement with an airport. The A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam (GIAA) has ten (10) signatory airline partners. On August 20, 2026, GIAA met with their signatory airline carriers to discuss what the impact of the \$17.7 million appropriation from the legislature, which was signed into law by Governor Lou Leon Guerrero the previous day on August 19, 2026, would have on airport rates

and charges. Of the total appropriation, \$8.4 million will be applied to bond defeasance that will prevent any rate increases for the remaining two months of FY 2026. The appropriation also included \$9.254 million due from GovGuam since FY2023 for prior year Aviation Fuel Taxes, collected and never remitted to GIAA. That amount will be applied to FY 2027 to help ease the required rate increases. The proposed Airport budget for FY 2027 still falls below the two previous fiscal years by about \$1 million.



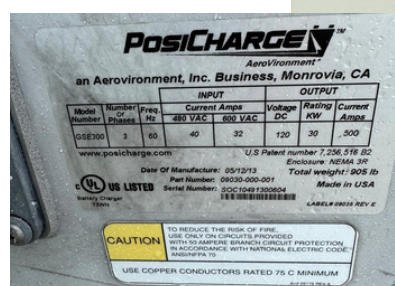
JAPAN AIRLINES



Airport Installs eGSE

The A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam (GIAA) has installed its first-ever electric ground support equipment (eGSE) charger next to Gate 4! An eGSE is a specialized power system designed to recharge battery-powered airport support vehicles like baggage tractors, belt loaders, and pushback tugs. The system was built to accommodate a potential second charger down the line should the need arise for additional charging capacity. The current system is a level 2 charger that uses 480 volts. It also equipped with a KWH meter that will

read the monthly usage by tenants for the billing of their energy consumption. This is definitely a great step in the Airport's efforts to reduce our carbon footprint. BIBA!



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Robust Self-Inspection and Reviews for Certification Preparation

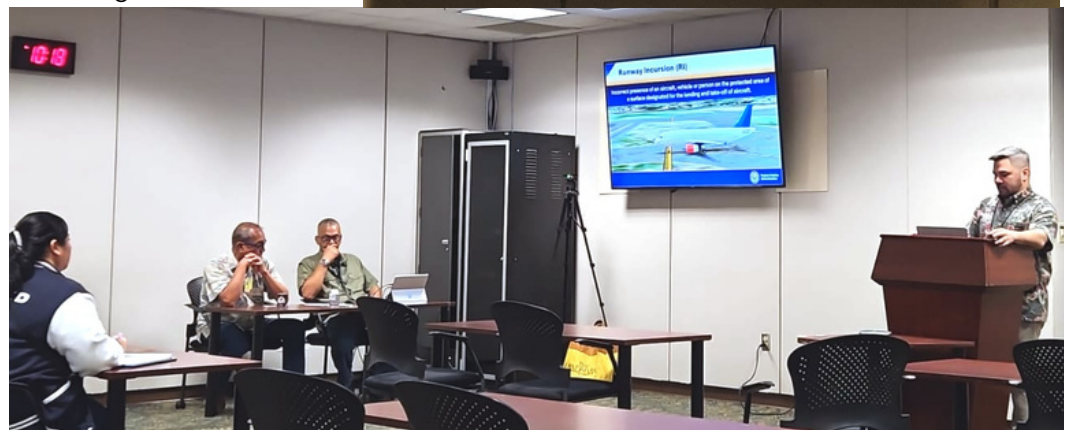
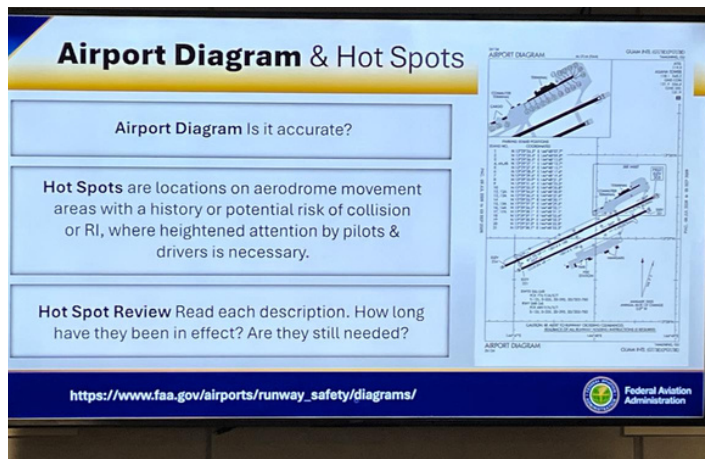
Airport self-inspection is a structured, recurring evaluation of airfield conditions, infrastructure, and operations conducted by the Duty Managers (DMs) from the Airport's Operations (OPS) Division to ensure safety and regulatory compliance. The Guam International Airport complies with FAA Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5200-18D on Airport Safety Self-Inspection which provides voluntary guidance for all airport operators in developing self-inspection programs. It also provides the standards for developing and implementing self-inspection programs at airports certificated under Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 139.



On August 13th the Operations team led by Air Terminal Manager Juan Reyes and Superintendent of Airport Operations Raymond Quintanilla along with OPS Duty Managers went through a thorough Self Inspector's FAR Part 139 Inspection Review and also a Part 139 Cert Inspection Review of all mandated Airport Certification programs, records and airfield conditions.

Airport SAFETY is the Name of the Game - RSAT & SMS

The Runway Safety Action Team (RSAT) meeting was held on August 14, 2026, to discuss local airport surface safety risks, and mitigate as part of our ongoing efforts to continually update our Runway Safety Action Plan. FAA HNL ADO Manager Gordon Wong, along with Scott Allen of the FAA Flight Standards office, also participated in the meeting virtually. These periodic reviews enable the GIAA to be on top of identifying hazards as they arise, assessing operational risks, and evaluating safety controls and mitigation efforts. In line with those efforts, GIAA also scheduled a Safety Risk Assessment Panel in August to meet the FAA requirement for our GIAA Airport Safety Management System (SMS). SAFETY and SECURITY are top priorities here at Guam's only civilian airport, serving the people of Guam and those who visit and/or transit through!



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FAA ADO Visits Guam Airport for Updates

Carlos Salas, the Assistant Manager, for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for the Airports District Office (ADO) out of Honolulu, visited the Guam International Airport on August 24-25, 2026. Asst. Mgr. Salas met with Airport Management to review grant funding, acquire the updated status of, and inspect the various ongoing projects that is being funded by the FAA for the Airport's capital improvement. As Mr. Salas departed to Saipan on August 26th, the FAA Program



Manager Ryan Castillo, assigned to GIAA, passed through on his way to Palau for inspections at their airport and is scheduled to return to Guam September 1st, to also conduct thorough inspections of ongoing FAA projects here, as well.



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August FOD Walk Hosted by China Airlines

Thank you to the energetic team of volunteers who participated in the August 18th FOD Walk hosted by China Airlines! Your combined efforts removed 46 lbs. of Foreign Objects Debris from our Air Operations

Area (AOA). The removal of these items definitely made our Airport safer... for aircraft and the passengers within, and for all those who work in the area and the equipment they use!



Okkodo BULLDOG Band Greet Japanese Student Musicians at Airport



Music wafted through the Airport Arrivals Lobby on the evening of August 21, 2026, as local Guam Island musicians gathered to welcome visiting GAMAGORI CITY JUNIOR BAND. The Okkodo High School Bulldog Band, under the direction of renowned Guam conductor Max Ronquillo, played

a beautiful rendition of Johnny Sablan's "Håfa Adai" as the guest musicians from Aichi Prefecture arrived from Nagoya, Japan. Both bands were performing along with the Guam Territorial Band the following evening at the 2026 Hands Across the Sea International Music Festival held at the Dusit Thani Guam Resort!

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Saying Goodbye is Never Easy

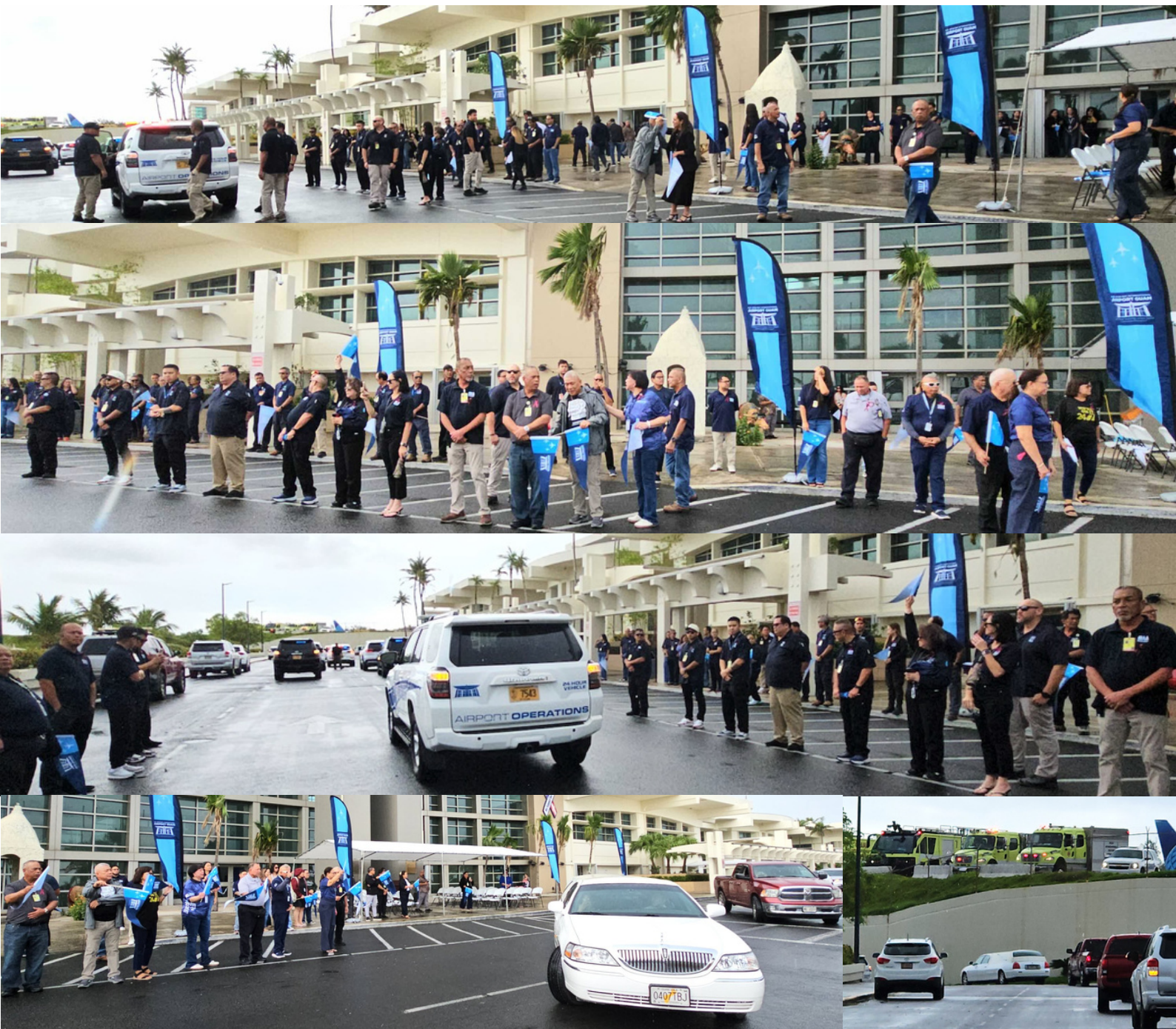
A heartfelt *Si Yu'os Ma'åse* was extended to the family of the late **Vicente "Ben" M. Meno, A.C.E.**, by Executive Manager John "JQ" Quinata, on behalf of the Airport Family, for bringing him by his place of work here at the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam (GIAA) on August 28th, for one final visit. Ben had been a part of the Airport workforce for 29 years, just one a year shy of three decades, where he started in the Airport Properties & Facilities Division as a Maintenance

Worker. His last position was as a Duty Manager for the Operations Division where he was a valued member and a great asset, attaining the distinguished certification of A.C.E. – Airport Certified Employee, a professional credential distinctly for airport workers developed by the premier American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE), after passing stringent training and testing in the specific areas of airport employment. *Pues Adios, esta ki!*



Wrapping Up Our Airport Community

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Together we fly.

The Guam International Airport Authority, Guam (GIAA) celebrates 50 years as an autonomous agency of the Government of Guam and is committed to providing quality air services and facilities to support and develop air transportation services for the people of Guam and visitors to our island! Biba, Guam!