

# *Haitian airline to inaugurate new direct Havana-Santo Domingo flight*

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Havana, December 1 (RHC)-- On December 5th, Sunrise Airways will inaugurate a new direct flight to connect the Cuban capital, Havana, and Santo Domingo in the Dominican Republic.

Sunrise Airways is an airline based in Haiti, which provides commercial and charter flights. From its hub in Port-au-Prince, Sunrise Airways operates daily scheduled passenger flights connecting Haiti with Dominican Republic, Cuba, Curacao, Guyana, Jamaica, Turks & Caicos and The Bahamas.

In statements to the press, the President of the Haitian airline, Philippe Bayard, pointed to a tremendous need for Caribbean direct interconnections. He said: "Our long-term final objective is to link the Caribbean directly or through a partnership between regional airlines: ONE CARIBBEAN. We want to create the conditions to ease the circulation of travelers in the Caribbean without loss of time and money."

According to Bayard, for the Cuban market, Haiti is an organic choice to travel. "The excellent historic relationships between

both countries goes back to 200 years and have been a determinant factor at the moment to choose Cuba destinations."

He explained that Sunrise Airways began to fly to Santiago de Cuba from Port au Prince in April 2014. "Today, we operate 11 flights per week to three destinations, Santiago, Camaguey and Havana," he said. Bayard also indicated that the Cuban government has always been very professional and cooperative. "In 2019, we have in plan to connect Kingston in Jamaica with Santa Clara and Holguin in Cuba."

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